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# **Suffering like Jesus**

#### Structure of Rom 8:18-25

- Present Suffering vs. Future Glory v. 18
- Suffering of "all Creation" v. 19-22
- Suffering of "all Christians" v. 23-25

## 1) Glory Outweighs Suffering

a) All creation eagerly waits for Glory

#### God's Plan for Creation

- Gen 1-2 Creation
- Gen 3 Curse
- Rom 8:20 Hope
- Rom 8:19,23 Timing
- Rev 20 Glory
- 2 Peter 3, Rev 21-22 Un-Creation
- b) Childbirth is Worth it v. 22

John 16:21-22

c) "First-fruits" of the Spirit – v. 23

## 2) What Waiting Entails

Romans 8:18-25

a) Longing – v. 19, 23, 25

Psalm 147:10-11 Psalm 33:16-18

- b) Groaning v. 22-23
- c) Hoping v. 20, 24-25
- d) Persevering v. 25
- 3) "With Jesus" means "Like Jesus" v. 17
  - a) Jesus Kept Trusting 1 Peter 2:23
  - b) Jesus Kept Praying Mark 14:39
  - c) Jesus Kept Comparing Hebrews 12:2