



THE BOOK OF

# ROMANS

# Re-cap...

- The power of the resurrection by HS
- The spirit of the ABBA adoption
- No comparison between sufferings and joint-heirship with Christ!
- Creation itself 'groaning' for our revelation
- We groan too, waiting for adoption...

# Saved in 'unseen' hope!

- Note the tense... 'we have been saved'
  - Aorist passive... Point in time w/o help
  - Hope is also a continuing motive/power
  - Hope against hope (Abraham Ch 4)
  - Desire with expectation
  - God's character/dealings as we trust

# #5 Spirit groaning... 26, 27

- The same Spirit that raised Christ
  - “in the same way” as creation, us...
  - New consolation/support, not power!
  - In the daily walk and dealings...
  - “helps”? *sunantilambanoma!*
  - To accompany with support

# Why does the Spirit groan?

- Because we do!

- ‘our weakness’ – frailty, no capacity

- He identifies with our brokenness

- Speaking in tongues and much more!

- Knowing God’s Heart and ours...

- Tears, dreams, hopes & prayers

# We don't know...

- How to pray??!!!
  - While it can be cultivated, encouraged
  - Only the HS can teach us!
  - *proseuchomai* – 87x offer prayer...
  - *huperentugchano* – 1x 3 words!
  - To find oneself, to meet, to intercede in favor of – consolation, supplication

# Godet

How are we to conceive of this *intercession* of the Spirit? It does not take place in the heavenly sanctuary, like that of the glorified Christ. {*Heb 7:25*} It has for its theatre the believer's own heart. The very term *groaning* implies this, and Ro 8:27, by speaking of God *who searches the hearts*, confirms it.

# His intercession-

- Eternal focus ...
- He groans even deeper than we do!
- And reveals the passions and dreams
- Searches our hearts:
  - For our needs, pains, fears, failures
  - But not with judgment ...