



THE BOOK OF

ROMANS

Re-cap...

- The power of the resurrection by HS
- The spirit of the ABBA adoption
- No comparison between sufferings/Glory
- Joint-heirship with Christ!
- Creation 'groaning'; We groan; Spirit too

ALL things... 28

- We groan, we know not ... we know!
- “and we know that to the ones loving God all things work together for good to those who according to His purpose are called.”
- What is the focus...?

Those who love God

- Continuous active faith relationship
- If we are in this, God has us!!! Abba!!!
 - And if us, then all that we do, say, live...
 - This is connected to the intercessions
 - God makes decisions for ultimate good
 - Christ in you, hope of glory...

Work together

- Co-operation of 'all things'
 - Our true relationship with God
 - His intent, will, plan, purpose
- Purpose - *prothesis* - to set forth, like the bread put out before God each day
- Eph 3:10,11

called

- kletos – invited, to a banquet – 1 1x
 - We've been called by the love of God
 - Written to those who had accepted 1:6
 - Connected to the rest of God's plan
- Those He calls He 'foreknows'
 - *proginosko* – 5x Acts 26:5; Rom 8:29; 1 1:2; 1 Peter 1:20; 2 Peter 3:17

Called, foreknew...

- Conformed to His image! Phil 3:10
- So Jesus will be firstborn!
- Predestined? 6x - appoint beforehand
 - Acts 4:28; Ro 8:29,30; 1Co 2:7; Eph 1:5,11
 - Process = called, justified, glorified (8:17)

Godet

What more magnificent! Once believers, we may be tossed on the tempests of this present time; not only do we know that no wave can engulf us, but we are assured that every one of them has its place in the divine plan, and must hasten our course.

What to say...

- Conclusion:
 - If God is for us –
 - Justification by faith,
 - Sanctification by Spirit of Christ in us
 - Calvin – “Not that there are none, but with such a defender, none of them is to be dreaded.”