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Triumphant Living

Lesson Nine • Romans 8:28 The Unshakable Promise of God

Question:

Do you BELIEVE in Romans 8:28?

And we know that all things work together for good to those who love God, to those who are called according to His purpose. Romans 8:28

A Continuum of Three Beliefs:

NOTHING	SOME THINGS	ALL THINGS
works together	work together	work together
for good	for good	for good

A Contrast of "Knows":

In vs. 26 "we do <u>NOT KNOW</u> what we should pray for as we ought," but in vs. 28 "we <u>KNOW</u> that all things work together for good to those who love God."

2. We Know That All Things <u>WORK TOGETHER</u> for Good to Those Who Love God!

Two Perspectives Needed:

- We need a perspective that sees the <u>WORK OF GOD</u> in our lives, not luck, chance, or blind fate.
- > We need a perspective that sees the <u>LONG-TERM</u>, not the short-term.

3. We Know That All Things Work Together for <u>GOOD</u> to Those Who Love God!

What Does "Good" Mean in Romans 8:28?

God's "good" is to use all things to make you glorious like <u>JESUS</u>.

For whom He foreknew, He also predestined to be conformed to the image of His Son, ...and whom He justified, these He also glorified. Romans 8:29-30

Our Greatest Problem with Romans 8:28:

Our "good" and God's "good" are not always the <u>SAME</u>.

The Unshakable Promise of God:

1. We Know That <u>ALL THINGS</u> Work Together for Good to Those Who Love God!

What God Wants You To Know:

That <u>ALL</u> things work together for good for you; not some things or most things or just good things, but <u>ALL</u> things including bad things, evil things, and painful things.

4. We Know That All Things Work Together for Good to Those Who LOVE GOD!

Is the Unshakable Promise of Romans 8:28 True for You?

If yes, then rejoice that God is working all things together for your good. If no, then respond to God by receiving His saving grace in Jesus Christ.