

## Here's Hope for Those Who Hurt – Pt 5

### Romans 8:17-25

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"...For the creation was subjected to futility, not willingly, but because of Him who subjected it in hope; because the creation itself also will be delivered from the bondage of corruption into the glorious liberty of the children of God. For we know that the whole creation groans and labors with birth pangs together until now. Not only that, but we also who have the firstfruits of the Spirit, even we ourselves groan within ourselves, eagerly waiting for the adoption, the redemption of our body. ..." (Romans 8:16-25; NKJ)

## V. Have Hope! Get well versed in God's \_\_\_\_\_!

### A. God subjected our rebel world to the \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_.

"... For the creation was subjected to futility ..." (v 20)

(Genesis 3:17-19)

- The futility of \_\_\_\_\_. (our best efforts rarely \_\_\_\_\_)
- The futility of \_\_\_\_\_. (we'll never succeed in \_\_\_\_\_)
- The futility of \_\_\_\_\_. (success doesn't bring \_\_\_\_\_)

☞ Futility is the mechanism God uses to draw us to \_\_\_\_\_ on Him!

### B. God offered a \_\_\_\_\_ that gives us \_\_\_\_\_ of redemption! (v 20)

"And I will put enmity between you and the woman, and between your seed and her Seed; He shall bruise your head, and you shall bruise His heel." (Genesis 3:15; NKJ)

### C. God ordained the \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ processes that are at work in your life. (v 21)

- The visible process – external \_\_\_\_\_.
- The invisible process – internal \_\_\_\_\_!

"Therefore we do not lose heart. Even though our outward man is perishing, yet the inward man is being renewed day by day. For our light affliction, which is but for a moment, is working for us a far more exceeding and eternal weight of glory, while we do not look at the things which are seen, but at the things which are not seen. For the things which are seen are temporary, but the things which are not seen are eternal." (2 Corinthians 4:16-18; NKJ)

### D. The upheavals of creation are "pushing" and pointing to the \_\_\_\_\_ of all the world!

"For we know that the whole creation groans and labors with birth pangs together until now." (v 22)

### E. The upheavals of your life are "pushing" and pointing to your ultimate \_\_\_\_\_!

"Not only that, but we also who have the firstfruits of the Spirit, even we ourselves groan within ourselves, eagerly waiting for the adoption, the redemption of our body." (v 23)

"For we know that if our earthly house, this tent, is destroyed, we have a building from God, a house not made with hands, eternal in the heavens. For in this we groan, earnestly desiring to be clothed with our habitation which is from heaven, if indeed, having been clothed, we shall not be found naked. For we who are in this tent groan, being burdened, not because we want to be unclothed, but further clothed, that mortality may be swallowed up by life. Now He who has prepared us for this very thing is God, who also has given us the Spirit as a guarantee. So we are always confident, knowing that while we are at home in the body we are absent from the Lord. For we walk by faith, not by sight. We are confident, yes, well pleased rather to be absent from the body and to be present with the Lord." (2 Corinthians 5:1-8; NKJ)