

Here's Hope for Those Who Hurt – Pt 6

Romans 8:17-25

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"The Spirit Himself bears witness with our spirit that we are children of God, and if children, then heirs—heirs of God and joint heirs with Christ, if indeed we suffer with Him, that we may also be glorified together. For I consider that the sufferings of this present time are not worthy to be compared with the glory which shall be revealed in us. For the earnest expectation of the creation eagerly waits for the revealing of the sons of God. 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. For we were saved in this hope, but hope that is seen is not hope; for why does one still hope for what he sees? But if we hope for what we do not see, we eagerly wait for it with perseverance." (Romans 8:16-25; NKJ)

- I. Have Hope! You have a Savior-God Who Knows Suffering!
- II. Have Hope! Suffering is a purposeful part of your life in Christ!
- III. Have Hope! You can have a completely new perspective on suffering!
- IV. Have Hope! There is a glorious reveal coming!
- V. Have Hope! Get well versed in God's master plan!

VI. Have Hope! Let that great hope manifest in _____!

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A. Keep the glorious _____ of your total _____ in mind!

"...eagerly waiting for the adoption, the redemption of our body." v24

"Therefore we also, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us lay aside every weight, and the sin which so easily ensnares us, and let us run with endurance the race that is set before

us, looking unto Jesus, the author and finisher of our faith, who for the joy that was set before Him endured the cross, despising the shame, and has sat down at the right hand of the throne of God." (Hebrews 12:1-2; NKJ)

B. Fan the spark of _____ into a flame of eager _____!

"creation eagerly waits for the revealing of the sons of God..." (v19)
"...eagerly waiting for the adoption, the redemption of our body." (v23)
"...we eagerly wait for it with perseverance." (v25)

"Do not lay up for yourselves treasures on earth, where moth and rust destroy and where thieves break in and steal; but lay up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust destroys and where thieves do not break in and steal. For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also." (Matthew 6:19-21; NKJ)

"... that in the ages to come He might show the exceeding riches of His grace in His kindness toward us in Christ Jesus." (Ephesians 2:7; NKJ)

C. Let your eagerness translate to _____!

"...we eagerly wait for it with perseverance." (v25)

1. _____ yourself in the _____ of suffering.
2. Imitate Christ in _____ in and through suffering!
3. _____ and stand with _____ who are suffering.
4. Work to _____ suffering wherever possible.
5. Continually _____ the Gospel of Hope!