

current sermon series



VICTORY



A STUDY OF

ROMANS 7-8

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Paul is giving us an encouragement to maintain confidence, assurance, and faith in God and in His purpose in our times of suffering.

Romans 8:28-31

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in order that he might be the firstborn among many brothers. ³⁰ And those whom he predestined he also called, and those whom he called he also justified, and those whom he justified he also glorified.

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³¹What then shall we say to these things? If God is for us, who can be against us?

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Four Ideas to Help Us:

1. A Promise
2. A People
3. A Purpose
4. A Process

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Five Particular Actions:

1. Foreknown
2. Predestined
3. Called
4. Justified
5. Glorified

2 Timothy 1:9

(God) saved us and called us to a holy calling, not because of our works but because of his own purpose and grace, which he gave us in Christ Jesus before the ages began.

Ephesians 2:8-9

For by grace you have been saved through faith. And this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God, not a result of works, so that no one may boast.

Genesis 4:1

Now Adam knew Eve his wife, and she conceived and bore Cain, saying, "I have gotten a man with the help of the LORD."

Genesis 4:17

Cain knew his wife, and she conceived and bore Enoch. When he built a city, he called the name of the city after the name of his son, Enoch.

Amos 3:1-2

Hear this word that the LORD has spoken against you, o people of Israel, against the whole family that I brought up out of the land of Egypt: You only have I known of all the families of the earth; therefore I will punish you for all your iniquities.

Matthew 7:23

“And then will I declare to them, ‘I never knew you; depart from me, you workers of lawlessness.’”

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Those whom he foreknew is those that he has fore-loved. Foreknowledge is a distinguishing love. It is virtually the same as you set your affection on and chose them as your own.

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Those whom he predestined are those that having chose them for Himself, He set His love upon them and decided what would become of them, namely that they would be conformed to the image of His Son.

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Those whom he called are those who respond to a God initiated, internal, and life giving summons which leads them to place their faith in Christ. This calling is so powerful that it also ensures that all who experience it are kept by God so that they also experience a final glorification.