

**Calvary Church: Coordinated Curriculum 2007-2008**  
**Romans: The Transforming Power of the Righteousness of God**

**Mark Observations**

**Record Observations & Questions**

**Romans 8:12-25**

**Look for words that are**

**Repeated**  
**Alike**  
**Different**  
**Accentuated**  
**Related**

12 So then, brothers,  
we are debtors,

not to the flesh,  
to live according to the flesh.

13 For if you live according to the flesh  
you will die,

but if by the Spirit  
you put to death the deeds of the body,  
you will live.

14 For all who are led by the Spirit of God are sons of God.

15 For you did not receive the spirit of slavery  
to fall back into fear,  
but you have received the Spirit of adoption as sons,  
by whom we cry, "Abba! Father!"

16 The Spirit himself bears witness with our spirit  
that we are children of God,

17 and if children, then heirs—  
heirs of God  
and fellow heirs with Christ,  
provided we suffer with him  
in order that we may also be glorified with him.

18 For I consider that the sufferings of this present time  
are not worth comparing  
with the glory that is to be revealed to us.

19 For the creation waits  
with eager longing for the revealing of the sons of God.

20 For the creation was subjected to futility,  
not willingly,  
but because of him who subjected it,  
in hope

21 that the creation itself will be set free from its bondage  
to corruption  
and obtain the freedom of the glory  
of the children of God.

22 For we know that the whole creation has been groaning together  
in the pains of childbirth until now.

23 And not only the creation,  
but we ourselves,  
who have the firstfruits of the Spirit,  
groan inwardly  
as we wait eagerly for adoption as sons,  
the redemption of our bodies.

24 For in this hope we were saved.  
Now hope that is seen is not hope.  
For who hopes for what he sees?

25 But if we hope for what we do not see,  
we wait for it with patience. (ESV)

**Questions** (Be sure to list the verse number for your answer to ensure you are answering from this text.)



Think about it

It might be helpful to read chapters 5-8 as you get started with this study.

Observation

The passage is made up of two sections. Draw a line between the two sections.

Note the contrasts

Notice key repetitions

What are the key terms in each section?

How would you (in your own words) summarize each section?



What do we learn  
About God?



Act on it

Application or Personal Challenge—What do you need to know or do this week?  
What in this passage is hard to believe?

What truths in this passage encourage you?



Talk about it

Who can you share your insights with?