

# THE POWER OF GOD'S WORD

“For the word of God is living and powerful,  
and sharper than any two-edged sword,  
piercing even to the division of soul and spirit,  
and of joints and marrow, and is a discerner  
of the thoughts and intents of the heart.”

**(Hebrews 4:12)**

# THE BOOK OF ROMANS

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## **(3) THE SPIRIT'S ASSURANCE OF FUTURE GLORY**

*(Romans 8:18–30)*

**Present Suffering  
vs Future Glory**

“Present Pain for Future Gain”

*Is This Motivation/Consolation Enough?*

### **(3) THE SPIRIT'S ASSURANCE OF FUTURE GLORY**

*(Romans 8:18–30)*

**18** 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.

**19** For the earnest expectation of the creation eagerly waits 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** because the creation itself also will be delivered from the bondage of corruption into the glorious liberty of the children of God.

## **(3) THE SPIRIT'S ASSURANCE OF FUTURE GLORY**

*(Romans 8:18–30)*

**22** For we know that the whole creation groans and labors with birth pangs together until now.

**23** 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.

**24** 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?

**25** But if we hope for what we do not see, we eagerly wait for it with perseverance.

### **(3) THE SPIRIT'S ASSURANCE OF FUTURE GLORY**

*(Romans 8:18–30)*

**26** Likewise the Spirit also helps in our weaknesses. For we do not know what we should pray for as we ought, but the Spirit Himself makes intercession for us with groanings which cannot be uttered.

**27** Now He who searches the hearts knows what the mind of the Spirit is, because He makes intercession for the saints according to the will of God.

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

## **(3) THE SPIRIT'S ASSURANCE OF FUTURE GLORY**

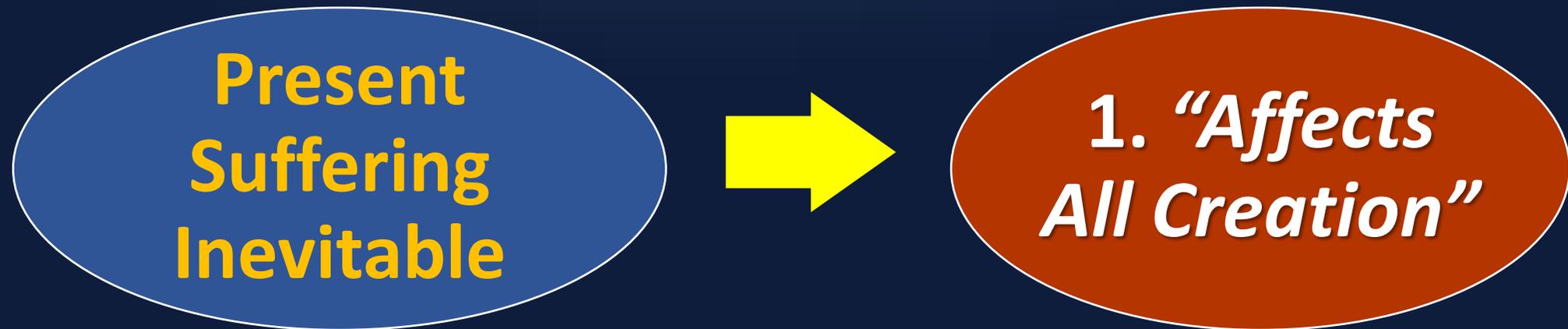
*(Romans 8:18–30)*

**29** For whom He foreknew, He also predestined to be conformed to the image of His Son, that He might be the firstborn among many brethren.

**30** Moreover whom He predestined, these He also called; whom He called, these He also justified; and whom He justified, these He also glorified.

## (3) THE SPIRIT'S ASSURANCE OF FUTURE GLORY

*(Romans 8:18–30)*

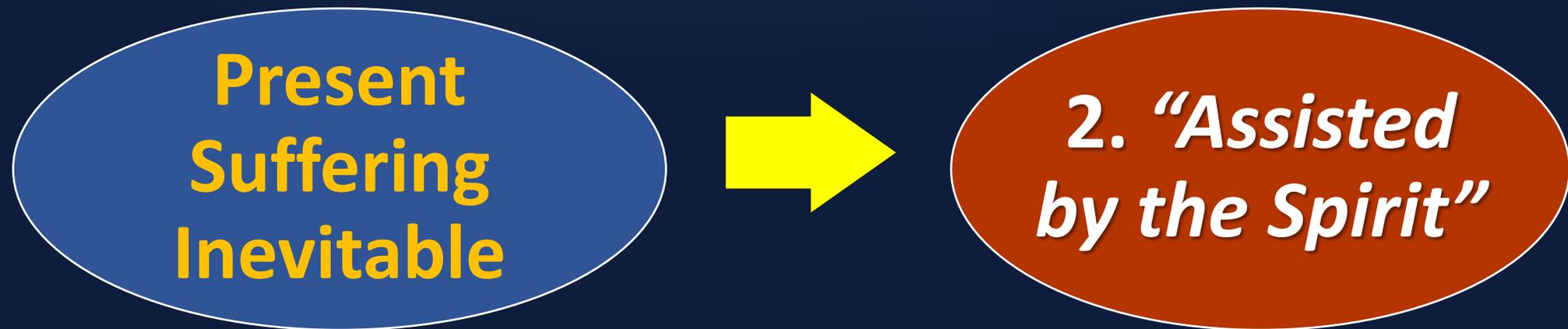


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**26a** Likewise the Spirit also helps in our weaknesses.

## **(3) THE SPIRIT'S ASSURANCE OF FUTURE GLORY**

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### **2a) Identity in Christ**

**23** 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.

## **(3) THE SPIRIT'S ASSURANCE OF FUTURE GLORY**

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### **2b) Intercession by the Spirit**

**26b** For we do not know what we should pray for as we ought, but the Spirit Himself makes intercession for us with groanings which cannot be uttered. **27** ... He makes intercession according to the will of God.

## **(3) THE SPIRIT'S ASSURANCE OF FUTURE GLORY**

*(Romans 8:18–30)*

### **2c) Intention of God**

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

## **(3) THE SPIRIT'S ASSURANCE OF FUTURE GLORY**

*(Romans 8:18–30)*

### **PRESENT SUFFERING INEVITABLE**

**1. Affects All Creation**

**2. Assisted by the Spirit**

*a) Identity in Christ*

*b) Intercession by the Spirit*

*c) Intention of God*

## (3) THE SPIRIT'S ASSURANCE OF FUTURE GLORY

*(Romans 8:18–30)*

### The “Golden Chain” of Sanctification

**29** For whom He <sup>1</sup>*foreknew*, He also <sup>2</sup>*predestined* to be conformed to the image of His Son, that He might be the firstborn among many brethren.

**30** Moreover whom He predestined, these He also <sup>3</sup>*called*; whom He called, these He also <sup>4</sup>*justified*; and whom He justified, these He also <sup>5</sup>*glorified*.