

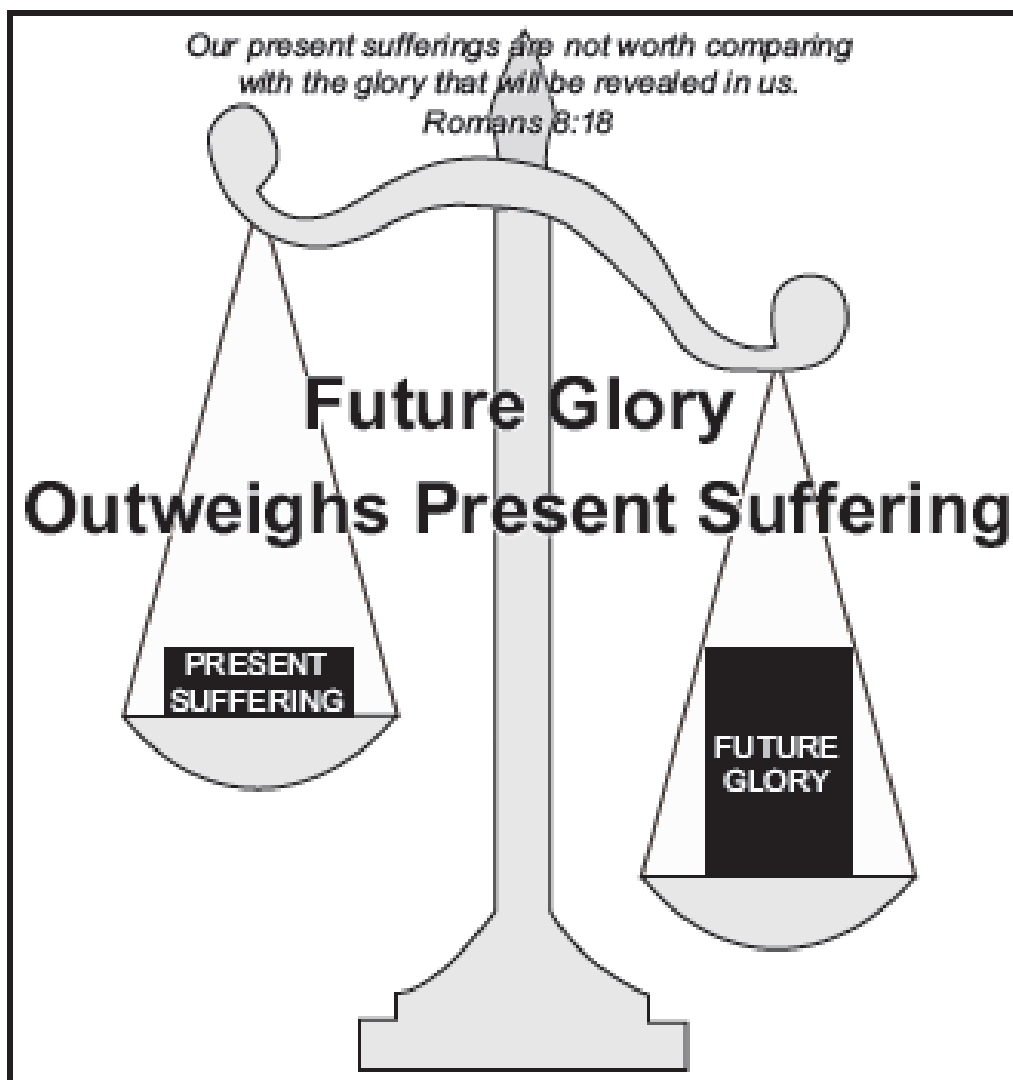
Introduction:

Today we will continue looking at *the empowering Spirit*.

Things we will look at in this lesson: Present Suffering and Future Glory

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Figure 1)



01. How was Paul able to maintain his present purpose and persevere?

02. How will we gain stability and stamina?

03. How does Paul treat suffering?

04. Besides having an impact on humanity, what did Adam's disobedience do?

05. After drifting into sin, what did King Solomon find instead of fulfillment?

06. What do believers in Christ maintain?

07. As Christians, when do we receive the firstfruits of the Spirit?

08. What does our groaning express?

09. Since our inability to know what to pray for is like a heavy load, what does the Holy Spirit do?

10. What does an intercessor do?

Note) Three great truths in Romans 8:26–28: In the same way the Spirit also helps us in our weakness, because we do not know what to pray for as we should, but the Spirit himself intercedes for us with inexpressible groanings. And he who searches our hearts knows the mind of the Spirit, because he intercedes for the saints according to the will of God. We know that all things work together for the good of those who love God, who are called according to his purpose.
—Romans 8:26–28 CSB

- (1) We all regularly face “things” we do not know how to pray about (Romans 8:26).
- (2) The Holy Spirit will dramatically assist in prayer at such times (Romans 8:27).
- (3) By this means, God’s purpose and power are introduced into the situation (Romans 8:28).

—*The Beauty of Spiritual Language*, Jack Hayford