

Introduction:

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

Things we will look at in this lesson: More Than Conquerors

More Than Conquerors:

01. What is Romans 8:28 tied directly to?

02. What does God work in?

03. What does God work for?

04. In what things does God work for the good of His people?

05. What is God's ultimate purpose in working in all things for our good?

06. Since Christ is preeminent, what place does He hold in God's family?

Figure 1)

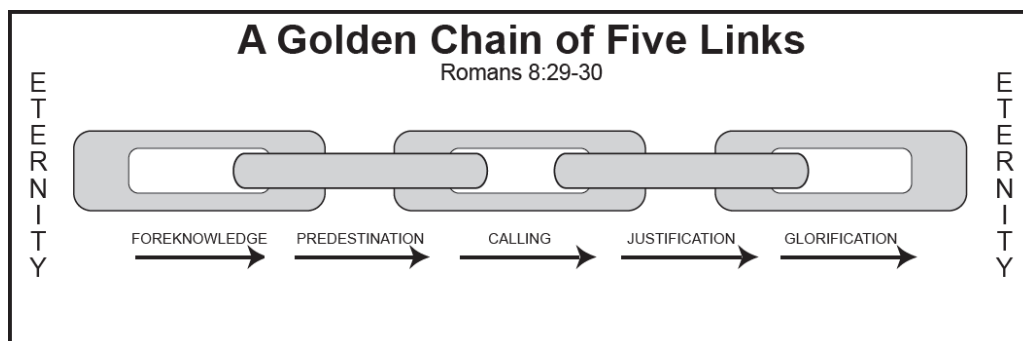


Figure 2)

FOREKNOWLEDGE	An aspect of God’s omniscience. He knows all things—past, present, future. He knew us before we were born. Before the creation of the world, He knew who would respond to His offer of salvation and who would reject it. He chose us according to His foreknowledge. (See Ephesians 1:4–5; 2 Peter 1:2.)
PREDESTINATION	God planned what He would do for those who would become His children. He determined beforehand that they would be conformed to the likeness of His Son (Romans 8:29). Paul uses this term in relation to believers, not unbelievers. The Bible does not teach that God predestines people to eternal condemnation. God does not want anyone to perish (2 Peter 3:9; John 3:18–21).
CALLING	God calls us through the gospel to “share in the glory of our Lord Jesus Christ” (2 Thessalonians 2:13–14). He invites all to come to Him.
JUSTIFICATION	God justifies those who believe the gospel. Freligh defines <i>justification</i> as “that act of God’s grace whereby He declares righteous the person who places faith in Jesus Christ as his Substitute and Savior” (1962, 69). In other words, Christ’s righteousness is imputed to the believer.
GLORIFICATION	A part of sanctification. They differ in degree, not kind. Sanctification is the transforming process God works in us to mold us into Christ’s image. Glorification is the end result. “Sanctification is glory begun. Glory is sanctification completed” (Bruce 1985, 168).

07. What are the five questions Paul poses designed to do?

08. What does Paul mean by, “if God is for us?” in Romans 8:31?

09. How can we be assured that God will give us all things?

10. Why can no one bring a charge against those whom God has chosen?

11. Why can no one condemn us?

12. How are we more than conquerors?
