

THREE GROANINGS

Romans 8:17-28

Sharing in Christ's Glory

- **Romans 8:17a**
- **the child of God is also an heir...**
- **to share in Christ's inheritance and glory**
- **(Ephesians 1:9-14)**
 - ▣ **(v10) all things are summed up in Christ**
 - ▣ **(v14a) the Holy Spirit is given as a pledge**
 - ▣ **(v14b, 12) when God redeems His investment in His children, it results in the praise of His glory**

The Fine Print

- **Romans 8:17b**
- **the condition for sharing in Christ's glory...**
- **sharing in Christ's suffering**

- **Philippians 3:10**
- **“fellowship” requires two**
- **“Christ-ian” = found where Christ is**

- **Romans 8:18**
- **the suffering is not even comparable to the glory**

1. The Groaning of Creation

- **(Romans 8:19) God's secret:**
- **suffering in this world = Creation groaning for God to reveal that He's had his sons and daughters walking around on earth**

- **(Romans 8:20-22) the hope:**
- **when the sons are revealed, all of Creation will also be set free into the glory of God's children**

2. The Groaning of God's Children

- **Romans 8:23**
- **the mark of sonship: groaning from within**

Never get so comfortable anywhere in this world, that there does not arise from within you a groaning for the redemption of your body!

- **Romans 8:24-25**
- **groaning: from a hope for what is not seen**

3. The Groaning of the Holy Spirit

- **Romans 8:26-27**
- **when we grow tired waiting for redemption, the Holy Spirit groans on our behalf**
- **the Holy Spirit knows God's mind and Will**

- **Romans 8:28**
- **result of the Holy Spirit's groaning: God causes all things to work together for good**

- **Revelation 21:1-7 : the redemption**