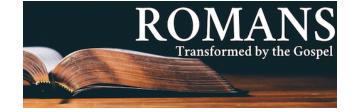
## The Sovereign Works of God!

Sept. 06, 2020 – Romans 8:28-30 Pastor Jon Pickens



Romans 8:28-30

28 And we know that for those who love God all things work together for good, for those who are called according to his purpose. 29 For those whom he foreknew he also predestined to be conformed to the image of his Son, in order that he might be the firstborn among many brothers. 30 And those whom he predestined he also called, and those whom he called he also justified, and those whom he justified he also glorified.

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Notes:
The Point: God is <b>sovereign</b> and His plan for His children has already been <b>accomplished</b> .
Implication 1: God's sovereignty bring us comfort as we live in a broken world.
Implication 2: God's sovereignty instills in us <b>confidence</b> that God is at work in children and will carry that work to completion.

Implication 3: God's sovereignty gives us **courage** to stand in the face of suffering and walk in the path of obedience.

## **Questions**

- 1. What questions or observations did this passage bring to light for you?
- 2. What impressions do you have about the sequence from being "foreknown" (or "foreloved") to "glorified"?
- 3. What are the implications in your life, understanding that God's plan is for you to be conformed to His Son?
- 4. How does knowing that God is completely sovereign have an impact on your life?

**Next Steps:** August Reading Plan (Week 1)

Day One: 1 John 4 Day Two: 1 John 5 Day Three: 2 John Day Four: 3 John Day Five: Jude

## **Memorization Tip:**

Re-**HEAR**-sal: To rehearse something is to go over it again and again. Do this aloud so that you can HEAR the verse. This method is extremely helpful when memorizing larger passages of Scripture.

Next Week's Sermon: Romans 8:31-39

## **September Scripture Memory:**

35 Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? Shall tribulation, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or danger, or sword? 36 As it is written, "For your sake we are being killed all the day long; we are regarded as sheep to be slaughtered." 37 No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him who loved us. 38 For I am sure that neither death nor life, nor angels nor rulers, nor things present nor things to come, nor powers, 39 nor height nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.

Romans 8:35-39 (ESV)