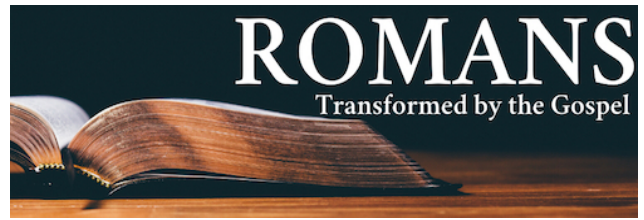


Our Divine Helper!

August 30th, 2020 – Romans 8:26-28
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Romans 8:26-28

26 Likewise the Spirit helps us in our weakness. For we do not know what to pray for as we ought, but the Spirit himself intercedes for us with groanings too deep for words. 27 And he who searches hearts knows what is the mind of the Spirit, because the Spirit intercedes for the saints according to the will of God. 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.

-Romans 8:26-28

1. The Holy Spirit helps you to **pray!**
2. The Holy Spirit intercedes for you with **empathy.**
3. The Holy Spirit intercedes for you in a way that **aligns** your prayers with God's will.
4. The Holy Spirit intercedes for your **good!**

Take-A-Ways:

1. Know that the Holy Spirit **dwells** in you and **helps** you even as you pray.
2. **Rest** in the assurance that God is working for your good.
3. Pray, but then **trust** in God's wisdom.

Questions

1. Can you tell of a time in your life when you were at a loss of clarity as to what to pray for?
2. The Holy Spirit is the third person of the trinity. He is divine yet separate in person than the Father and the Son. What in this passage indicates that the Holy Spirit has personhood?
3. The Holy Spirit helps you in your weaknesses or limitations. In what ways are you limited and need God's help?
4. The Holy Spirit helps you in a way that aligns with God's will and works toward your good. How does this affect the way you pray?

Next Steps: August Reading Plan (Week 5)

Day One: John 20
Day Two: John 21
Day Three: 1 John 1
Day Four: 1 John 2
Day Five: 1 John 3

Journaling Tip:

Sometimes I find it helpful to think about what I read all day and journal a thought about the reading at the end of the day that seemed to come up in my mind several times.

Next Week's Sermon: Romans 8:26-27

August Scripture Memory:

31 What then shall we say to these things? If God is for us, who can be against us? 32 He who did not spare his own Son but gave him up for us all, how will he not also with him graciously give us all things? 33 Who shall bring any charge against God's elect? It is God who justifies. 34 Who is to condemn? Christ Jesus is the one who died--more than that, who was raised--who is at the right hand of God, who indeed is interceding for us.

Romans 8:31-34 (ESV)