

**MAKING THE**  
**CHRISTIAN**  
**LIFE WORK**



**Romans 8:18** For I consider that the sufferings of this present time are not worthy to be compared with the glory which shall be revealed in us.<sup>19</sup>For the earnest expectation of the creation eagerly waits for the revealing of the sons of God.<sup>20</sup>For the creation was subjected to futility, not willingly, but because of Him who subjected it in hope;<sup>21</sup>because the creation itself also will be delivered from the bondage of corruption into the glorious liberty of the children of God.<sup>22</sup>For we know that the whole creation groans and labors with birth pangs together until now.<sup>23</sup>Not only that, but we also who have the firstfruits of the Spirit, even we ourselves groan within ourselves, eagerly waiting for the adoption, the redemption of our body.

# **THE GLOOM**

**Romans 8:18 ... the sufferings of this present time...**

**Ecclesiastes 2:14 The wise man's eyes are in his head, but the fool walks in darkness. Yet I myself perceived that the same event happens to them all.<sup>15</sup> So I said in my heart, "As it happens to the fool, it also happens to me, and why was I then more wise?" Then I said in my heart, "This also is vanity."<sup>16</sup> For there is no more remembrance of the wise than of the fool forever, since all that now is will be forgotten in the days to come. And how does a wise man die? As the fool!**

# **THE GLOOM**

**Ecclesiastes 2:17** Therefore I hated life because the work that was done under the sun was distressing to me, for all is vanity and grasping for the wind.<sup>18</sup> Then I hated all my labor in which I had toiled under the sun, because I must leave it to the man who will come after me.<sup>19</sup> And who knows whether he will be wise or a fool? Yet he will rule over all my labor in which I toiled and in which I have shown myself wise under the sun. This also is vanity.

# **THE GROANING**

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**Romans 8:23** Not only that, but we also who have the firstfruits of the Spirit, even we ourselves groan within ourselves, eagerly waiting for the adoption, the redemption of our body.<sup>24</sup> For we were saved in this hope, but hope that is seen is not hope; for why does one still hope for what he sees?<sup>25</sup> But if we hope for what we do not see, we eagerly wait for it with perseverance.

# **THE GROANING**

**Romans 8:26** Likewise the Spirit also helps in our weaknesses. For we do not know what we should pray for as we ought, but the Spirit Himself makes intercession for us with groanings which cannot be uttered.<sup>27</sup> Now He who searches the hearts knows what the mind of the Spirit is, because He makes intercession for the saints according to the will of God.

**Romans 7:25** I thank God through Jesus Christ our Lord. So then with the mind I myself serve the law of God; but with the flesh the law of sin.

# **THE GLORY**

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