Our Hope Outlasts Our Hurts! More Than Conquerors, Pt. 3 Romans 8:18-30

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Romans 8:37, No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him who loved us.

Romans 8:1, Therefore, there is now <u>no condemnation</u> for those who are in Christ Jesus,

Romans 8:5, Those who live according to the flesh have their minds set on what the flesh desires; but those who live in accordance with the Spirit have their minds set on what the Spirit desires.

Romans 8:15, The Spirit you received does not make you slaves, so that you <u>live in fear again</u>; rather, the Spirit you received brought about your <u>adoption to sonship</u>. And by him we cry, "<u>Abba, Father</u>." ... 17 Now if we are children, then we are heirs—heirs of God and co-heirs with Christ...

Romans 8:28, And we know that in <u>all things God works for</u> the good of those who love him, who have been <u>called</u> according to his purpose. 29 For those God <u>foreknew</u> he also <u>predestined</u> to be <u>conformed</u> to the image of his Son, that he might be the firstborn among many brothers and sisters. 30 And those he <u>predestined</u>, he also <u>called</u>; those he called, he also <u>justified</u>; those he justified, he also <u>glorified</u>.

Genesis 50:20, You intended to harm me, but God intended it for good...

Four Unshakable Truths for the Toughest Days:

1. Your Pain is Real ... But It's Not FOREVER

Romans 8:18, I consider that our <u>present sufferings</u> are not worth <u>comparing</u> with the <u>glory that will be revealed</u> in us. 19 For the creation waits in eager expectation for

the children of God to be revealed. **20** For the <u>creation</u> was subjected to frustration, not by its own choice, but by the will of the one who subjected it, in hope **21** that the creation itself will be liberated from its bondage to decay and brought into the freedom and glory of the children of God. **22** We know that the whole creation has been groaning as in the pains of childbirth right up to the present time.

2 Corinthians 4:17, For our light and momentary troubles are achieving for us an eternal glory that far outweighs them all

Philippians 3:20, But our citizenship is in heaven. And we eagerly await a Savior from there, the Lord Jesus Christ, **21** who... will transform our lowly bodies so that they will be like his glorious body.

2. Your Hope Holds On When Life HURTS

Romans 8:23, Not only so, but we ourselves, who have the firstfruits of the <u>Spirit</u>, <u>groan inwardly</u> as we wait eagerly for our <u>adoption to sonship</u>, the <u>redemption of our bodies</u>.

24 For in this <u>hope</u> we were saved. But <u>hope</u> that is seen is no <u>hope</u> at all. Who <u>hopes</u> for what they already have? 25 But if we <u>hope</u> for what we do not yet have, <u>we wait for it patiently</u>.

2 Corinthians 5:1, For we know that if the earthly tent we live in is destroyed, we have a building from God, an eternal house in heaven, not built by human hands. **2** Meanwhile we groan, longing to be clothed instead with our heavenly dwelling, **3** because when we are clothed, we will not be found naked. **4** For while we are in this tent, we groan and are burdened, because we do not wish to be unclothed but to be clothed instead with our heavenly dwelling, so that what is mortal may be swallowed up by life. **5** Now the one who has fashioned us for this very purpose is God, who has given us the Spirit as a deposit, guaranteeing what is to come.

3. Don't Fight Alone – The Spirit is Your <u>RESOURCE</u>

Romans 8:26, In the same way, the <u>Spirit helps us in our</u> weakness. We do not know what we ought to pray for, but the Spirit himself <u>intercedes</u> for us through <u>wordless</u> groans. 27 And he who searches our hearts knows the mind of the Spirit, because the Spirit <u>intercedes</u> for God's <u>people</u> in accordance with the will of God.

John 14:16, And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another advocate to help you and be with you forever—

Hebrews 7:25, ... he always lives to intercede for them.

4. God's Plan Always Gets the LAST WORD

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<u>Jeremiah 29:11</u>, "For I know the plans I have for you," declares the LORD, "plans to prosper you and not to harm you..."

2 Corinthians 5:6, Therefore we are always confident and know that as long as we are at home in the body we are away from the Lord. **7** For we live by faith, not by sight. **8** We are confident, I say, and would prefer to be away from the body and at home with the Lord. **9** So we make it our goal to please him, whether we are at home in the body or away from it.