WORD OF GRACE

Part 16: Looking Ahead | Text: Romans 8:18-27

Romans 8:18-22

The earth's upheavals show it desires to move back into the _____ creation.

Genesis 3:17-19 Luke 19:40 Isaiah 44:22, 23 Isaiah 55:12

Isaiah 55:12 (NLT) You will live in joy and peace. The mountains and hills will burst into song, and the trees of the field will clap their hands!

Luke 19:40 (NLT) He replied, "If they kept quiet, the stones along the road would burst into cheers!"

Romans 8:23-25

The deposit of the Holy Spirit on the inside of us will keep us ______ on the soon return of our Lord and give us hope

for tomorrow.

2 Corinthians 1:22	Titus 2:11-13	1 Thessalonians 4:16-18
Romans 12:12	Romans 15:13	Romans 4:17-21 (NKJV)
Hebrews 10:35, 36	Philippians 4:10 -14	

2 Thessalonians 3:5 (NKJV) Now may the Lord direct your hearts into the love of God and into the patience of Christ.

Ephesians 1:13,14 (NLT) And now you also have heard the truth, the Good News that God saves you. And when you believed in Christ, he identified you as his own by giving you the Holy Spirit, whom he promised long ago. (14) The Spirit is God's guarantee that he will give us everything he promised and that he has purchased us to be his own people. This is just one more reason for us to praise our glorious God.

Ephesians 4:30 And do not grieve the Holy Spirit of God, with whom you were sealed for the day of redemption.

Romans 8:26, 27

The Holy Spirit is ______ us groan in line with the will of God so we can give birth to the purposes of God.

Hebrews 2:18	Hebrews 13:6	lsaiah 41:10	Jude 1:20
1 Thessalonians 5:17	Revelation 5:8	Revelation 8:3	lsaiah 66:9

Ephesians 6:18 (NLT) Pray at all times and on every occasion in the power of the Holy Spirit. Stay alert and be persistent in your prayers for all Christians everywhere.

Hebrews 4:15,16 (NLT) This High Priest of ours understands our weaknesses, for he faced all of the same temptations we do, yet he did not sin. (16) So let us come boldly to the throne of our gracious God. There we will receive his mercy, and we will find grace to help us when we need it.

Hebrews 7:25 (NKJV) Therefore He is also able to save to the uttermost those who come to God through Him, since He ever lives to make intercession for them.

Intercession: Action between two parties to reconcile those who differ. Jesus is our representative who guarantees our access to the Father to our benefits of redemption. Also gives us the ability to untie the works of the devil

Travail: Releasing the creative power of the Holy Spirit into a situation to produce, create or give birth to something God desires (1 Kings 18:41-45)

Helps: Sun: together with, anti: against, lambano: to take hold of; to take hold together with, against

Weakness: Without strength, inability to produce results **Distribution:** We are distributors not producers

Matthew 6:10 1 John 3:8 Galatians 4:19 **Kingdom:** destroy: luo: pains of child birth until Christ is formed in you

Prayer Focus

Remember to pray for one home missionary (or organization) and one foreign missionary (also the country).

D12 Group Discussion Questions

- 1. Talk about your looking forward to the rapture.
- 2. How are you staying in hope?
- 3. Talk about Ephesians 6:18.
- 4. Discuss the concept of intercession and then practice it.