

# Family Worship

For the week of November 23

"Deceived"  
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## No Pain, No Gain

Romans 8:28-30

**Big Idea:** God's idea of \_\_\_\_\_ is different than our idea of \_\_\_\_\_

### Paul's logic:

-Romans 8:18:

-II Cor. 4:9-18:

-II Cor. 11:23-30:

### I. The groan of our earthly \_\_\_\_\_

A. The creation's \_\_\_\_\_

B. The creation's \_\_\_\_\_

C. The creation's \_\_\_\_\_

### II. The groan of our excruciating \_\_\_\_\_

A. Our \_\_\_\_\_

B. Our \_\_\_\_\_

C. Our \_\_\_\_\_

### III. The groan of our agonizing \_\_\_\_\_

A. Our \_\_\_\_\_ in prayer

B. The Spirit's \_\_\_\_\_ in prayer

C. The Father's \_\_\_\_\_ in prayer

### Applications and Conclusions:

#### Day One

Read: John 10

Prayer requests:  
*Missionaries*

#### Day Two

Read: John 11

Prayer requests:  
*Unsaved*

#### Day Three

Read: Exodus 8

Prayer requests:  
*Pastors and church ministries*

#### Day Four

Read: Proverbs 8

Prayer requests:  
*Government and military*

#### Day Five

Read: Romans 8

Prayer requests:  
*Friends and family*

# Acts 2:42 Community Group Homework

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## Getting Started

1. If Pastor Mike had to give an abbreviated version of this week's sermon, what two points or ideas would you tell him to include no matter what?

## Into the Bible

2. Romans 8 is filled with future promises (hope yet to be seen). Read the following verses and jot down some of those promises: 8:1; 16-18, 23, 32, and 35-39. As you look at those promises, what's the overall context of Romans 8?

3. Bible study requires bombarding the Scriptures with good questions. Here are six to ask of Romans 8:28-29.

Who?

What?

Where?

Why?

When?

How?

4. What is the "good" that is promised in verse 29?

5. All of the words in verse 29 are past tense, but our glorification is still future. Why do you suppose that Paul described our future glorification with a past tense verb?

## Application:

6. When we define "good" in terms of this world only, how does that pollute our view of God and eternity?
7. If the greatest good is to be conformed to Christ, then what is the greatest bad?
8. Most Christians tend to define Romans 8:28 only in the sense of good on this earth. How does defining "good" the biblical way change you outlook on circumstances today?
9. Share with your group (if you are comfortable sharing) a situation you have faced in life that even to this day you struggle to see how God is using it for good.
10. Eternal conformity to Christ is often little consolation to those facing immediate, often heart-wrenching problems. How can we use 8:28 as encouragement without contradicting its contextual meaning?

