

“Thankful for Sufferings”

Romans 5:1-6

Big Idea: God’s people are thankful even for trials because they accomplish the purposes of God in us, and in the people around us.

From Romans 5:1-6, we see that Christian suffering...

- **Is** _____.
- **Produces** _____.
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See also: John 16:33; Matthew 5:11-12; Romans 8:28; Genesis 50:20; 2 Chronicles 33:10-13; Isaiah 19:22, 26:9; James 1:2ff; Acts 5:41; 2 Corinthians chapters 1 and 4; Colossians 1:11, 24; Hebrews 10:34; 1 Peter 4:13; Philippians 3:10;

What difficulty am I facing right now? What is God hoping to accomplish? How will this teaching change how I pray for myself and others?

“The Christian is suspended between blessings received and blessings hoped for, so he should always give thanks.” - M.R. Vincent

“We ought to give thanks for all fortune: if it is “good,” because it is good, if “bad” because it works in us patience, humility, and the contempt of this world and the hope of our eternal country.” - C. S. Lewis

³³ Inevitable; Endurance; Character; Hope.