THE BOOK OF ROMANS

THE GOSPEL ACCORDING TO GRACE.

THE FOUNDATION OF NEW TESTAMENT THEOLOGY.

Romans 8:23-30

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THE TITLE OF THE MESSAGE:

"WE ARE ON OUR WAY" - PART 2

The Gospel of Grace. The Foundation of New Testament Theology And How The Justified Shall Live by Faith in Jesus Christ Alone.

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Romans 8:24-30

24 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? 25 But if we hope for what we do not see, we eagerly wait for it with perseverance. 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. 27 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. 28 And we know that all things work together for good to those who love God, to those who are the called according to His purpose. 29 For whom He foreknew, He also predestined to be conformed to the image of His Son, that He might be the firstborn among many brethren. 30 Moreover whom He predestined, these He also called; whom He called, these He also justified; and whom He justified, these He also glorified.

Do you see the continuity between what God has said through His Prophets and how God's word is fulfilled in Christ?

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1.) The Heartbeat of Heaven

vs. 23

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.

1a.) Heaven's throne within us is proof	vs. 23a
1b.) Heaven's appeal is a reality within us	vs. 23b
1c.) Heaven's love is our constant contact	vs. 23c

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2.) The Hope of Heaven

vs. 24-25

24 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? 25 But if we hope for what we do not see, we eagerly wait for it with perseverance.

2a.) Heaven's assurance is our hope

vs. 24

For we were saved in this hope,

A Beautifully Designed Set Up
Of The {Pre-Incarnate} Revelation of the Absolute Hope

Ephesians 1:3-12

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly places in Christ, 4 just as He chose us in Him before the foundation of the world, that we should be holy and without blame before Him in love, 5 having predestined us to adoption as sons by Jesus Christ to Himself, according to the good pleasure of His will, 6 to the praise of the glory of His grace, by which He made us accepted in the Beloved. 7 In Him we have redemption through His blood, the forgiveness of sins, according to the riches of His grace 8 which He made to abound toward us in all wisdom and prudence, 9 having made known to us the mystery of His will, according to His good pleasure which He purposed in Himself, 10 that in the dispensation of the fullness of the times He might gather together in one all things in Christ, both which are in heaven and which are on earth - in Him. 11 In Him also we have obtained an inheritance, being predestined according to the purpose of Him who works all things according to the counsel of His will, 12 that we who first trusted in Christ should be to the praise of His glory.

Saved grk: sozo

to make safe or to bring safely to. to bring to a safe arrival, to secure safe passage, to

rescue out of and in to

Hope grk: elpis

a secured or assured expectation, a guaranteed anticipation.

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2b.) Heaven's existence is our hope

vs. 24b

but hope that is seen is not hope; for why does one still hope for what he sees?

Seen grk: blepo

being on guard, to behold, to beware, to be alert and diligent at looking ahead.

Psalm 42:5

Why are you cast down, O my soul? And why are you disquieted within me? Hope in God, for I shall yet praise Him for the help of His countenance.

1 Peter 1:3-5

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who according to His abundant mercy has begotten us again to a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, 4 to an inheritance incorruptible and undefiled and that does not fade away, reserved in heaven for you, 5 who are kept by the power of God through faith for salvation ready to be revealed in the last time.

Romans 15:4

For whatever things were written before were written for our learning, that we through the patience and comfort of the Scriptures might have hope.

Romans 12:12

Rejoice in hope, patient in tribulation, continuing steadfastly in prayer;

1 Peter 1:13-14

Therefore gird up the loins of your mind, be sober, and rest your hope fully upon the grace that is to be brought to you at the revelation of Jesus Christ; 14 as obedient children, not conforming yourselves to the former lusts, as in your ignorance;

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2c.) Heaven's expectation is our hope

vs. 25

But if we hope for what we do not see, we eagerly wait for it with perseverance.

Eagerly Wait grk: apekdechomai

to be waiting with full confidence, to be without doubt, anticipation or anticipating the moment, the event, the promised word. (coming of the full redemption)

Revelation 22:7

"Behold, I am coming quickly! Blessed is he who keeps the words of the prophecy of this book."

Perseverance grk: hupomone

a patient enduring, steadfastness or being steadfast.

To be steadfast is to be:

firmly fixed in a place. to be immovable, not subject to change, a firm belief, the adherence to what is known, loyal or loyalty to the evidence.

{ Trust the science of scripture }

Psalm 121:2

My help comes from the LORD, who made heaven and earth.

Psalm 34:5

They looked to Him and were radiant, and their faces were not ashamed.

Isaiah 40:26

Lift up your eyes on high, And see who has created these things, Who brings out their host by number; He calls them all by name, By the greatness of His might And the strength of His power; Not one is missing.

1 John 3:1-3

Behold what manner of love the Father has bestowed on us, that we should be called children of God! Therefore the world does not know us, because it did not know Him. 2 Beloved, now we are children of God; and it has not yet been revealed what we shall be, but we know that when He is revealed, we shall be like Him, for we shall see Him as He is. 3 And everyone who has this hope in Him purifies himself, just as He is pure.

Revelation 22:17-20

And the Spirit and the bride say, "Come!" And let him who hears say, "Come!" And let him who thirsts come. Whoever desires, let him take the water of life freely. 18 For I testify to everyone who hears the words of the prophecy of this book: If anyone adds to these things, God will add to him the plagues that are written in this book 19 and if anyone takes away from the words of the book of this prophecy, God shall take away his part from the Book of Life, from the holy city, and from the things which are written in this book. 20 He who testifies to these things says, "Surely I am coming quickly." Amen. Even so, come, Lord Jesus!