

ROMANS 8:26-30

LIVING UNDER LOCKDOWN (2)

- We need to know the purpose of lockdown
- **The context:** Romans 8 explains how *the scream* of our world is a *groaning for glory*
 1. *The glory of God's new world will utterly outweigh our sufferings in this world (18-27) last week;*
 2. *God has a beautiful purpose for us in our sufferings (28-30) this week; and...*
 3. *Nothing will ever separate us from God's love (30-39) next week;*

1. God's purpose in everything is for our good! (28)

⇒ *'you intended to harm me, but God intended it for good...the saving of many lives'* (Gen.50)

2. God's purpose is that we become like his Son! (29)

- ⇒ *those God foreknew he also predestined*
- ⇒ *'...to be conformed to the likeness of his son'*
- ⇒ *'firstborn among many brothers'*

3. God's purpose is an irresistible determination that we shall be glorified! (30)

'Suffering' – by Paul David Tripp – available from the Good Book Company

Coffee Questions

How can knowing God's purpose in our sufferings change our experience of it?