

A Verse to Remember 2

This is totally your study. Nobody will be instructing you and nobody will be grading you. It will just be you, your Bible, these lessons, your own paper, and of course, the Holy Spirit guiding and teaching you.

VERSE	Romans 8:28
TEXT - NKJV	<i>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.</i>

BOOK	The Letter to the Romans
PURPOSE OF BOOK	To understand & have righteousness in our lives; the balanced kind of faith needed to be mature, fruitful, and pleasing to God

CHAPTER	8
THEME OF CHAPTER	We have access to God's righteousness in our lives which He put there through Christ's sacrifice to accomplish sanctification.

"Righteousness" is the "perfect holiness of God", "living a life that is right", "that which is the opposite of sin".

What does "Dead to sin" mean? (6:1-14)

What does "Slaves to sin" mean? (6:15-23)

How did the Law point out sin? (7:7-12)

Can the Law save us from sin? (7:13-25)

We move from "dead & slaves" to "free" when we become a Christian; then the process of victories & failures plus "ups & downs" begins & continues.

Does "Free from sin" mean we are **perfect & sinless?** (8:1-11)

Explain "being **led** by the Spirit". (8:12-17)

Notice in the next section (8:18-31) words being used: "sufferings", "groans & labors", "**perseverance**", "weaknesses". Our main verse of this study (8:28) is in this section.

"Righteousness" is the design God has for our lives; it is the only standard that is acceptable before God. Notice the **progression** for our lives:

Romans 1:18-3:20 = We did not have "Righteousness".

Romans 3:21-5:21 = We were given or deposited with "Righteousness".

Romans 6:1-8:39 = We were given access to "Righteousness".

Romans 12:1-15:13 = We are enabled to use "Righteousness".

What does God promise to those who love God while **growing** in their faith? (8:28)

What kind of people live to **pursue** & accomplish God's purpose? (8:28)

God's purpose is for His "Righteousness" to take over our lives. God does whatever He needs to do in our lives **to accomplish** His purpose.

What does "work together for good" mean? (8:28)

God loves us even when we think otherwise. His purpose for us is the best He has for us.

**His plans for us are GOOD, BETTER THAN OURS; THE BEST THERE IS.
AMEN!!**