

Title: Heaven 360 Ultimate - Romans 8 9-17

Read:

That's why I don't think there's any comparison between the present hard times and the coming good times. The created world itself can hardly wait for what's coming next. Everything in creation is being more or less held back. God reins it in until both creation and all the creatures are ready and can be released at the same moment into the glorious times ahead. Meanwhile, the joyful anticipation deepens. All around us we observe a pregnant creation. The difficult times of pain throughout the world are simply birth pangs. But it's not only around us; it's within us. The Spirit of God is arousing us within. We're also feeling the birth pangs. These sterile and barren bodies of ours are yearning for full deliverance. That is why waiting does not diminish us, any more than waiting diminishes a pregnant mother. We are enlarged in the waiting. We, of course, don't see what is enlarging us. But the longer we wait, the larger we become, and the more joyful our expectancy. Meanwhile, the moment we get tired in the waiting, God's Spirit is right alongside helping us along. If we don't know how or what to pray, it doesn't matter. He does our praying in and for us, making prayer out of our wordless sighs, our aching groans. He knows us far better than we know ourselves, knows our pregnant condition, and keeps us present before God.

Think:

First there was the Play Station it was fantastic, gaming was never going to be the same. Then there was the incredible Play Station 2, not only an amazing games machine but a DVD player too. And then the ultimate games machine the Play Station 3, with all the widgets you could ever want. And by the time you hear this dev there may even be the Play Station 4,5 or 6. That's what happens when we find something good we want more and there is always more to be had. It might not be good for us but there is always someone willing to give us the bigger, the faster, the better experience. Well Heavens not like that; there is only one release of eternal life with the God who created you. There isn't such a thing as Heaven 360, the second better version of Heaven, Gods giving the full experience with the first release. That's how incredible Heaven will be; in fact the owner's manual has this amazing claim on the front. It says, Consider the hard times you have now, insignificant compared to the reward you will receive in Heaven. That is a pretty big claim, because I know some of you are suffering pretty badly right now. You might have a disability, you might have lost your parents, and you might be getting bullied. Whatever you'r suffering is, it is real and it is now, but God says he loves you so much he will make that memory vanish when it is time for you to meet him in heaven.

Pray:

Lord thank you for the reward that Heaven will be when we finally meet you. Please Lord give me the strength to get through the suffering I will go through on this Earth before it is time for me to come to heaven. Amen.

Action:

If you are suffering now then God does not want that either. Pray to him for healing, pray to him to resolve your suffering in the name of Jesus. And then if there is anything you can do to enable God to answer your prayers through you, do it. If you are being abused, if you are being bullied then find a leader, find a teacher, find someone away from the situation and ask them to help you. God will give you the strength you need.