

## **It's All Good** (Romans 8:26-30)

### **Searching for help in times of trouble**

### **Plugging in**

#### **The Spirit prays for us** (26-27)

Help in our weakness

Meaning

Comfort

Security – The Spirit prays according to God's will  
*groanings*

*too deep for words* = without words

#### **Sovereign purpose** (28-30)

God holds believers' lives securely, start to finish

Prerequisite: love God, called according to His purpose

Promise: *all things work together for good*

God **works**

God works **for good**

God works for good **in all things**

Doesn't say all things are good

In God's providence, He causes them to produce good

Illustrations: tapestry, brownies, shipbuilder

Provision: 5-step sequence in 3 time frames:

Eternity past:

Foreknew ⇒ God marked us out by His love

Predestined ⇒ Determined in advance to glorify those in His family

In our lifetime:

Called ⇒ draws us to faith

Justified ⇒ declares us righteous

In the future:

Glorified ⇒ Everything comes to fruition

2 choices in this: first God's, then ours

Providence

Focus = conformity to Jesus

**Take it Home**