

Romans 8:19-25

Adoption – The Redemption of our Body

8:19 For the earnest expectation of the creature waiteth for the manifestation of the sons of God.

The creature being referred to in this passage is the new man (2 Corinthians 5:17; Galatians 6:15, James 1:18) after you trusted Christ.

The new man is eagerly anticipating and waiting for the day when he is liberated from corruption. Your new man inside of you is groaning and strongly desires to be freed from this corruptible body.

The manifestation of the sons of God refers to the day you receive your NEW BODY (1 John 3:1-3). It's going to happen one day. Right now, nobody can tell the difference between a son of God and a son of this world. (Galatians 4:1-6). You say I am a son of God and will inherit eternal life and the unsaved people around you say, yea sure. What sets you apart from the rest? You have the Holy Spirit of promise in you (Ephesians 1:13-14) and because you are now become a son of God, you are an heir of God, BUT YOU HAVEN'T INHERITED ANYTHING YET! You just have the FIRSTFRUITS of the Spirit, and that's it. There's a whole bunch more coming your way because you're a child of the King! (Last weeks study)

8:20-21 For the creature was made subject to vanity, not willingly, but by reason of him who hath subjected the same in hope, Because the creature itself also shall be delivered from the bondage of corruption into the glorious liberty of the children of God.

The new man was made subject to VANITY, not willingly. That means the new man inside of you was put in subjection to a corrupt flesh and a corrupt body. The new man doesn't want this. He wants to be free from this body of sin. The new man cries out, who shall deliver me from the body of this death (Romans 7:24-25)?!? BUT God is the one who subjected the new man to this corruptible, sinful flesh. The Bible says we have this TREASURE in earthen vessels (2 Corinthians 4:5-7). Write now we have this treasure of the Holy Spirit in earthly vessels, but one day in heavenly vessels (1 Corinthians 15:48-49, 50-57)!!!!!!!

Hallelujah! God has promised the new man a day of absolute liberty and freedom as children of God.

The Hope God gave the creature: ONE DAY you will be freed from the body of sin and receive a NEW body!

The creature itself also shall be delivered from the bondage of corruption into the liberty of the children of God.

David said, "As for me, I will behold thy face in righteousness: I shall be satisfied, when I awake, with **thy likeness.**" (Psalm 17:15)

Job said, "For I know that my redeemer liveth, and that he shall stand at the latter day upon the earth: [Luke 21:25-28] And though after my skin worms destroy this body, yet in my flesh shall I see God: Whom I shall see for myself, and mine eyes shall behold, and not another; though my reins be consumed within me." (Job 19:25-28)

Paul said, "Who shall change our vile body, that it may be fashioned like unto his glorious body, according to the working whereby he is able even to subdue all things unto himself." (Philippians 3:21)

One day in your own flesh, in your new body, you will be delivered from corruption and sin forever and stand in the liberty of the children of God!

8:22-23 For we know that the whole creation groaneth and travaileth in pain together until now. And not only they, but ourselves also, which have the firstfruits of the Spirit, even we ourselves groan within ourselves, waiting for the adoption, to wit, the redemption of our body.

The entire creation is groaning in pain along with our new man, waiting for the day that God makes all things new (Revelation 21:1-7). We wait for the day of our adoption, that is, the REDEMPTION OF OUR BODY.

God has predestined us that are in Christ to receive a new body. Period (Ephesians 1:3-5).

8:24-25 For we are saved by hope: but hope that is seen is not hope: for what a man seeth, why doth he yet hope for? But if we hope for that we see not, then do we with patience wait for it.

We have confidence in God that he WILL keep his covenant. He has always kept his word, and he will yet do it again in that which pertains to us that have believed on his only begotten Son.

Paul said, "For the which cause I also suffer these things: nevertheless I am not ashamed: for I know whom I have believed, and am persuaded that he is able to keep that which I have committed unto him against that day." (2 Timothy 1:12)

Now we wait for it. Until then, lets make preparations for our departure (talk about how you make preparations for a trip before you go so you are ready for the trip)