

1. When you think about eternity, existing somewhere forever and ever, with no end, what comes to mind? How can keeping eternity in perspective make a positive impact in your life?

2. Read **Romans 8:18-25**

What sobering perspective does Paul give Christ followers in **verse 18**? How can this help when you face suffering and pain personally and, in general, in the world?

What do these other passages have to say about suffering and waiting with hope?

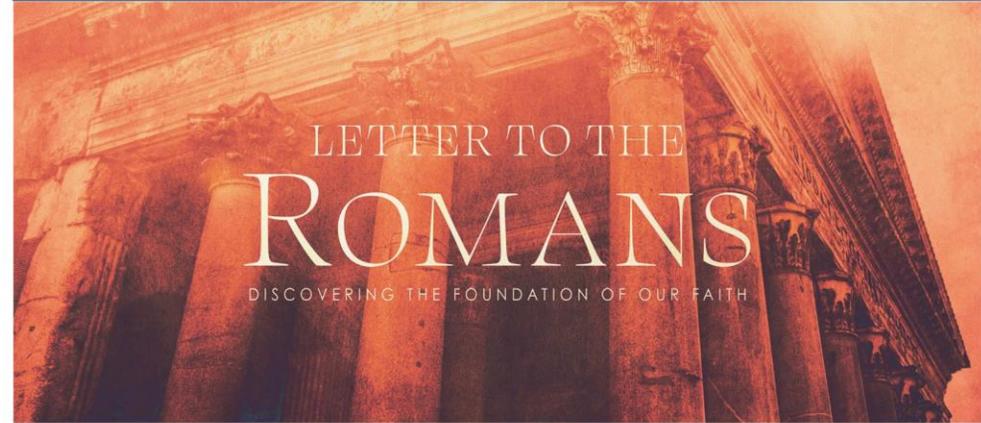
2 Corinthians 4:16-18

2 Peter 3:11-14

Titus 2:11-13

- What is Paul meaning when he speaks of creation “groaning?” How is creation not what it was meant to be? Why is that? Who has subjected creation to futility? In what way did the Fall (**Genesis 3**) affect creation? What evidence in Scripture do you see that one day all of Creation will be made new?
- In what ways do Christ followers also groan within ourselves from anticipation and frustration? How does the doctrine of glorification help us to endure suffering and give hope in the waiting?
- How is the doctrine of adoption an “already/not yet” reality of the Christian faith?
- 3. What can you do this week to focus your mind and heart on things above, giving you an eternal perspective that will help endure difficult times?

4. Take time to read and dwell on **Colossians 3:1-3**. What directives does Paul give you? How can this help you to count difficult times joy as you wait for the realization of the hope that you have in Christ?



NEW TO NORTHAMPTON?

We're glad you're here! Take a moment to fill-out a **Connection Card** and let us know more about you! If you have children or teens, we have great, safe options for Children's & Student Ministry! Complete info can be found at: www.NBchurchCF.org!

MESSAGE SERIES

TODAY'S MESSAGE:
ROMANS 8:18-25

NEXT SUNDAY:
ROMANS 8:26-30

WORSHIP ORDER

GOD OF THE PROMISE

WELCOME/ANNOUNCEMENTS

GREETING

RATTLE

OFFERING

LIVING HOPE

HONORING GRADUATES

MESSAGE

COMMUNION

I SPEAK JESUS

SEND-OFF AND PRAYER

CLASSES & LIFE GROUPS

SUNDAYS

Young Adults Class
Room 203

The Gospel According to John Study
Room 201 | 9:15am

WEDNESDAYS – 6PM
NBStudents (Grades 6-12)
See the summer calendar!

THURSDAYS

Men's Bible Study
7:00PM

VARIOUS DAYS

LIFE Groups
Real-Life Discipleship Bible Studies

NEXT STEPS

Baptism and Partnership
Sunday, June 30
Sign up on the website/church app

GET CONNECTED

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UPCOMING AT NORTHAMPTON

WELCOME!

We're glad you have decided to join us online or in-person! We want you to know that you are welcome here! Please take the time to fill out our online Connection Card and down-load the Church Center App to stay connected! Thanks for joining in!

CHURCH CENTER APP

Interested in joining a team, a LIFE Group or signing up for an event? Download the **Church Center App** (from your app store), choose **Northampton** as your church, and you're all set!

SUNDAY MORNING PRAYER – 8:30

If you would like to take part in praying for Sunday mornings and each other, join us in the Café.

CARE MINISTRY

If you, or someone you know, has a need for prayer, meals, visitation or other assistance, the Care Ministry would like to help. Please fill out a request card located at the back of the church and drop it in the collection basket or email your request to help@nbchurchcf.org.

PRAYER CHAIN

If you're interested in joining Northampton's prayer chain, please contact **Marcia Peters** at care@nbchurchcf.org

BAPTISMS/PARTNERSHIPS

Sunday, June 30

If you're interested in Baptism and/or Partnership at Northampton, please sign-up in the Church Center App.

VBS 2024

VBS is June 17-20 from 6-8:30pm! Register your kids (ages 5-11) by visiting nbchurchcf.org. Email Tiffany Magill at vbs@nbchurchcf.org with any questions or concerns!

We are thankful and excited for a new chapter at Northampton!

*On Sunday, May 19, we voted overwhelmingly to transition to an Elder-led Church. Thank you to the many people who helped in this process, and we pray that God will continue to bless and enrich Northampton for years to come. We would also like to acknowledge our first Elders who have been approved and accredited for the position: **John Fisher, Jeff Woods and Daniel Zinzow**. We are planning an installation of Elders in the coming weeks to officially install them.*

MERCY FUND

The monies in the Mercy Fund are used to help families in need. If you'd like to contribute to this fund (in addition to your regular giving), please select that option in the Church Center App, or indicate on an envelope when you give this morning.

SISTERS OF ENCOURAGEMENT REVEAL - SUNDAY, JUNE 9

9:45-10:30am - Fellowship Hall

If you participated or plan to participate in S.O.E for the new school year, join us on **June 9** for a light brunch. We will reveal ourselves to our SOE and fill out info sheets for the new SOE year. Please bring a brunch type dish to share and a small gift for your current SOE.

MEN'S BREAKFAST

Saturday, June 8, 8:00.

Please sign up at the Connection Wall in the foyer.

NBSTUDENTS CAMPING TRIP

JULY 26-28 \$25 PER STUDENT

NBStudents will be going on a weekend camping trip to Punderson State Park in Geauga County, Ohio. For more information visit www.nbstudents.org or register in the church center app.

MESSAGE NOTES

Pastor Joe Pryor

Christ followers have hope in suffering, looking forward to all things being made new!

Everything's gonna be alright (eventually)...

a. We look forward to _____ (v 18)

b. We look forward to _____ being transformed (vv 19-22)

c. We look forward to _____ being transformed (vv 23-25)