



Church of Christ

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Heart to Heart...

“And we know that God causes all things to work together for good to those who love God, to those who are called according to His purpose.” (Rom. 8:28) How many times have we read this? Paul said, “*we know*”! His assurance and faith are placed in God. How? Because he loved God and walked according to His ways. Walking before God with a whole heart, surrendered to His cause, only brings assurances to your life.

As Jesus was unmercifully tried and killed, one thing He knew, “*all things work together for good.*” Jesus knew God was able to save Him and He was devoted to the cause of God. He trusted His Father! What was the end result? God worked every thing for good!! Jesus was given life, to overcome death. Was that good? Jesus’ death became our cleansing and justification. Is that good?

The question is, do we believe and know God causes all things to work for good to those who love and follow Him? **ALL THINGS!** How do we react to difficulties? We become down, depressed, like there is no help or cure. What do we believe? The economy turns bad and we lose our jobs. Will that work for good? What does God promise? We experience the death of a loved one and feel the pain. Will that work for our good? Somewhere we must deal with the promises of God in a real faith abiding sense. We ask, “How can good come out of such bad situations?” It all depends on whether you love the Lord with all you heart and allow His will to be yours! Good only comes to those of faith.

We hurt over situations, which is not wrong and will happen. Our reactions show our faith. We fret when things aren’t under our control. We become anxious and fears control our thinking process. We become depressed and downtrodden. In all this, God and His promises get pushed to the back and little comfort is found. God made us a promise, and no matter what you encounter, it doesn’t change the fact or the promises of God. Our faithlessness is exposed. No matter what happens, no matter what we encounter in life, God gave us a promise. “In the hope of eternal life, which God, who cannot lie, promised long ages ago.” (Titus 1:2) The promises of God have never failed and He won’t start with you. We need to reach out in faith knowing that the blood of Christ and the love of God have never failed anyone walking with Him! That’s good news and should reassure our hearts. Think about it!!!

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