

- I. Receive Help from the Spirit in Their Weakness.**
  - A. The Holy Spirit lives within all Christians (1 Cor. 6:19).**
  - B. The Holy Spirit counsels and cares for Christians.**
    - 1. He gives us assurance of salvation (Rom. 8:16).**
    - 2. He teaches and reminds us (John 14:26).**
    - 3. He empowers us to live for Christ (Acts 1:8).**
    - 4. He convicts us of sin (John 16:8 and 1 John 1:9).**
    - 5. He intercedes for us (v.26,27).**
- II. Can Be Certain That God Always Works for Their Good.**
  - A. The story of Joseph son of Jacob (Gen. 37 ff.).**
  - B. In thirteen years Joseph went from a slave to a prince.**
  - C. Jacob was blessed because he remained faithful to God and because in all things God works for the good of those who love him (v.28).**
- III. Are Predestined to Be Conformed to the Likeness of Christ.**
  - A. God knows all things; he knows who will be saved and who will be lost, but he does not cause or choose some to be saved and some to be lost.**
  - B. God predestines certain things (not all things); God has predestined (predetermined) that those who accept Christ will be conformed to the likeness of Christ (v.29).**
  - C. Jesus was the first of many who will be resurrected and glorified (v.29 and 1 Cor. 15:20-23).**
- IV. Are Called According to God's Plan of Redemption (v.28).**
  - A. God predestines – God has predetermined that those who accept Christ will be conformed to the likeness of Christ (Rom. 8:29 and Eph. 1:4,5).**
  - B. God calls – God calls out to all people, hoping they will come to Christ (Titus 2:11; John 6:44; and 2 Pet. 3:9).**
  - C. God justifies – Those who respond favorably to God's call, those who accept Christ as Savior and Lord, are declared righteous or justified (Rom. 3:20,28).**
  - D. God glorifies – When Jesus returns at his second coming those who know and love him will receive glorified bodies (Phil. 3:21 and 1 John 3:2); when this awesome transformation takes place our redemption in Christ will be complete (Rom. 8:23).**