

**Sermon Notes**  
**“Season of Formation”** (Rom 8:28-30)  
Apr 16, 2023

**Discussion Questions**

These questions are only a guide. Feel free to share how God has spoken to you, what areas you question &/or do not understand. Allow the Holy Spirit to guide your discussion.

➤ **This time of contradiction (8:18-27)**

What events of your past and present have caused you great pain? Do you struggle to see anything good in and through them? Take time to pray through each and ask God to show Himself.

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➤ **God is present in ‘all things’ (8:23b-24)**

Name one or two events/experiences/relationships where you have seen God bring about something good. How could that be a pattern for what He wants to teach you? How have you become more like Christ?

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**Certainty (28a)**

**Comprehensiveness (8:28b)**

What life process are you currently on? Are you living each day one at a time, just trying to make it through? Are you living for your own end goals? How may God be redirecting you to a more certain future?

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**Synergy (8:28c)**

**Completion (8:28d-29)**

What areas do you feel God still needs to shape and transform you? How may He be getting your attention and call you to make some changes? How is He giving you strength and a community to do that?

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**On-going (8:30)**

➤ **There’s purpose/person in pain**

When you have experienced a difficult time, how has Jesus shown Himself? Looking back, was that unexpected? Did He show Himself in a way that you never thought he would? What did you learn?

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**The promise of ‘likeness’**

**The experience of Presence**

As you think through your daily pursuits, what do they say about who/what you love? What/who captivates your imagination, your vision, creativity and the use of your resources? Do they align with your allegiance to Christ?

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➔ **What/who do you love?**