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Preaching During the COVID-19 Pandemic

Why Romans 8:18-39 is a key passage our hearers need right now.



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I have been asked by various preachers, what I would preach in light of what governments world-wide have been doing in the previous week to help stop the spread of COVID-19.

Here are some of my thoughts.

I would work from Romans 8:18-39.

This has been a “go-to” text for me at other times of uncertainty, upheaval, or disaster (fires and earthquakes in California, typhoons and revolution in Manila, going to war in Iraq, 9/11, going to war in Afghanistan, etc.). For in it we are reminded that creation, and therefore, humanity, is not what it is suppose to be,

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and that creation, and therefore, humanity “groans” in all kinds of ways for healing. I think today of that phrase in Andrew Peterson’s powerful song, “Is He Worth?”—“Do you wish you could see it all made new?”

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I focus on 8:28: “For 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

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