

**Valley Bible Church**  
**Sermon Notes for January 27, 1991**

**“All Things Work Together for Good”**  
**Romans 8: 28**  
**Part 3**

Introduction - Can a believer lose their salvation? Here is a clear teaching!

A. Extent. **ALL THINGS** work together for good.

B. The Recipient. God causes bad, good, whatever circumstances to work for good, to those who love God, who are called according to His purpose; true believers, Christians.

C. Purpose. What is the purpose of God’s working? “To be conformed to the image of His Son.”

That we will be the perfect reflection of Christ’s glorified body, both internal and external. “That He (Jesus) might be the first born among many brethren.” Christ is the “first born” among us. He is the “preeminent” one, the exulted, magnified, glorified one among us.

To glory if Christ is the foremost reason we are saved.

Our security does not rest in our ability but in God’s.

Isa. 55:8-9, says God’s thoughts, God’s way are not our thoughts and ways.

How does God make this all happen, Christ the first born of many brethren?

Jn. 6:44, “No one can come to Me unless the Father who sent Me draws him...”  
Foreknown: predetermined love relationship of God with a group of people.

2Tim. 1:9, “...but according to His purpose...” predestined: marked us out for the ultimate end.

2 Thess. 2:13-14, how did God call to us to draw us? Through the gospel. In eternity past we were signed, sealed and delivered to God. Who He called, He justified; who He justified, He glorified.

God is totally responsible for our salvation.

Man is totally responsible for damnation.

We cannot deny what the Word of God teaches. Accept what He teaches, trust Him.  
We do not have to know why.