



# Selahgram

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**Dear Jim,**

Karyn and I pray this Selahgram stirs you to pause, ponder & *worship*.

## **All Things Work Together...For Worshipers**

**Rom.8:28** *And we know that all things work together for good to them that love God, to them who are the called according to his purpose.*

Just like me, you've probably quoted at least part of this verse dozens (or hundreds) of times. For many it erodes into an oft recited catch-phrase that has lost its power and intent, ...'*all things work together for good...*'

Romans 8:28 provides a perfect "worship progression." It is a beautiful illustration of a promise reserved for the worshiper-the required vertical connection (worship) followed by its unavoidable horizontal result. All things work together for good to those who: A. Love God (with all their heart, soul and strength) - the vertical connection ...and B. are called according to His purpose - the horizontal expression.

Many focus on the "called according to His purpose" part without recognizing this is a worshiper verse and **part B is completely powerless and impotent unless preceded by loving God with all the heart-worship.**

## **Romans 8:28**

**Similarly:**

**Mt.22:37** Jesus said unto him, Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind.

**38** This is the first and great commandment.

**39** And the second is like unto it, Thou shalt love thy neighbour as thyself.

**40** On these two commandments hang all the law and the prophets.

*Jim*