Daily Devotion For April 21, 2023

"We know that God causes all things to work together for the good to those who love God and are called according to his purpose. Romans 8:28

At our Wednesday Bible study I asked the question, "If you could ask God any question, what would you want to know? There were a number of people who said that they would ask God, what is your plan for my life? God is a good God and he has good plans for our life. Other's may have bad plans and we ourselves may have made bad plans. But God's plans are always for our good.

We live in a broken world where bad things happen to good people. Good people get sick, have accidents, have problems, etc. Nothing in our lives go perfectly. God did not promise us perfection. That's called heaven!

In heaven, there is no sorrow, sadness, sickness, or suffering. We should not expect heaven to be on earth, because the earth is filled with brokenness.

But even in the middle of all this brokenness, God has a good plan for you. He is greater than your bad decisions and can turn bad things into good things. But this promise of God is not for everyone. As you notice, Paul said in Romans 8:28 it is for those who "love God and are called according to His purposes."

Have you noticed that when you make a cake, the individual ingredients don't taste good? Flour by itself does not taste good. Raw eggs by itself does not taste good. Vanilla by itself does not taste good. But mix them all together and you can create a tasty masterpiece.

When you let God work all the "ingredients" of your life together, he can take the bitter, put it in the batter, and make you better. Why? Because he's a good God.

Thought For Today: Can you say that you love God and are living for his purposes? If so, then you can thank God today that He can turn your brokenness and problems into good.

Today' Prayer Focus: Praise God today because He Is Good! Deo Volente.