## The Groaning of the Holy Spirit

Romans 8:26-27

- I. Groaning believers need the groaning work of the Holy Spirit.
  - Hope helps us to handle our present suffering.
  - The Holy Spirit is the first-fruits of our inheritance in Christ.

- We don't know how to pray as we should because of our limitations.
- II. The groaning of the Holy Spirit is His work of praying to the Father for us.
  - The Holy Spirit yearns for the redemption of our body.

- The Holy Spirit prays for the ultimate glorification of the believer in the midst of his humiliation.
  - What are the Holy Spirit's requests?

- The groaning of the Holy Spirit has nothing to do with speaking in tongues.
  - The meaning of "to deep for words" (alatetos)
  - We can't hear the groaning of the Holy Spirit.
  - $\circ$   $\;$  This is addressed to all believers
  - Tongue's speaking is nowhere associated with intercession.
- The Holy Spirit prays according to God's will.

How should we then live?