

**Sermon Notes, Evening Service, April 25, 2010**  
**Pastor Louis Venable, Jr., Northbridge Baptist Church**  
**The Basis For All True Christian Beliefs**  
*No Pain, No Gain!*  
(Romans 8:18-25)

I. Creation is Groaning Towards Glory (vv. 18-22)

A. Groaning Started after the Fall (v. 20; Gen 3:17-18)

B. Groaning will End at Millennium (v. 21; Isa 65:17-20; Matt 19:28-30)

C. Groaning will Continue at Present (v. 22; Matt 24:7-8)

II. Christians are Groaning Towards Glory (vv. 23-25)

A. We are Suffering as we Head for Home  
(v. 23; Rom 7:24; 2Cor 5:1-5; 1Cor 15:51-56; Col 3:4)

B. We are Suffering as we Continue in Hope  
(vv. 24-25; Matt 5:11-12; Heb 11:1; Heb 2:10; John 17:15-19)