

# **The Power of Problems**

## *Romans 8:26-28*

Did you know God has a purpose behind every problem?  
This new year, like the last one, will undoubtedly be full  
of problems. Is God using those struggles in my life?  
Of course we know He wants to make us more like Jesus.  
But how does He accomplish that in the  
midst of troubles in our lives?

Our passage gives us insight into God's intentions,  
so the next time problems sneak up on you, remember...

**God's plan is \_\_\_\_\_.** *verse 28*

**God prefers \_\_\_\_\_.** *verse 27*

**God persists \_\_\_\_\_.** *verse 26*

As we cooperate with God's work through the problems  
that invade our lives, we have the opportunity  
to become more like Jesus.  
Let's take advantage of those opportunities!

### A Prayer of Commitment for 2009

"Father, thank you for being trustworthy.  
I believe You are working in my life especially through the hard times.  
I choose to trust You.  
Have your way with me and make me more like Jesus!"