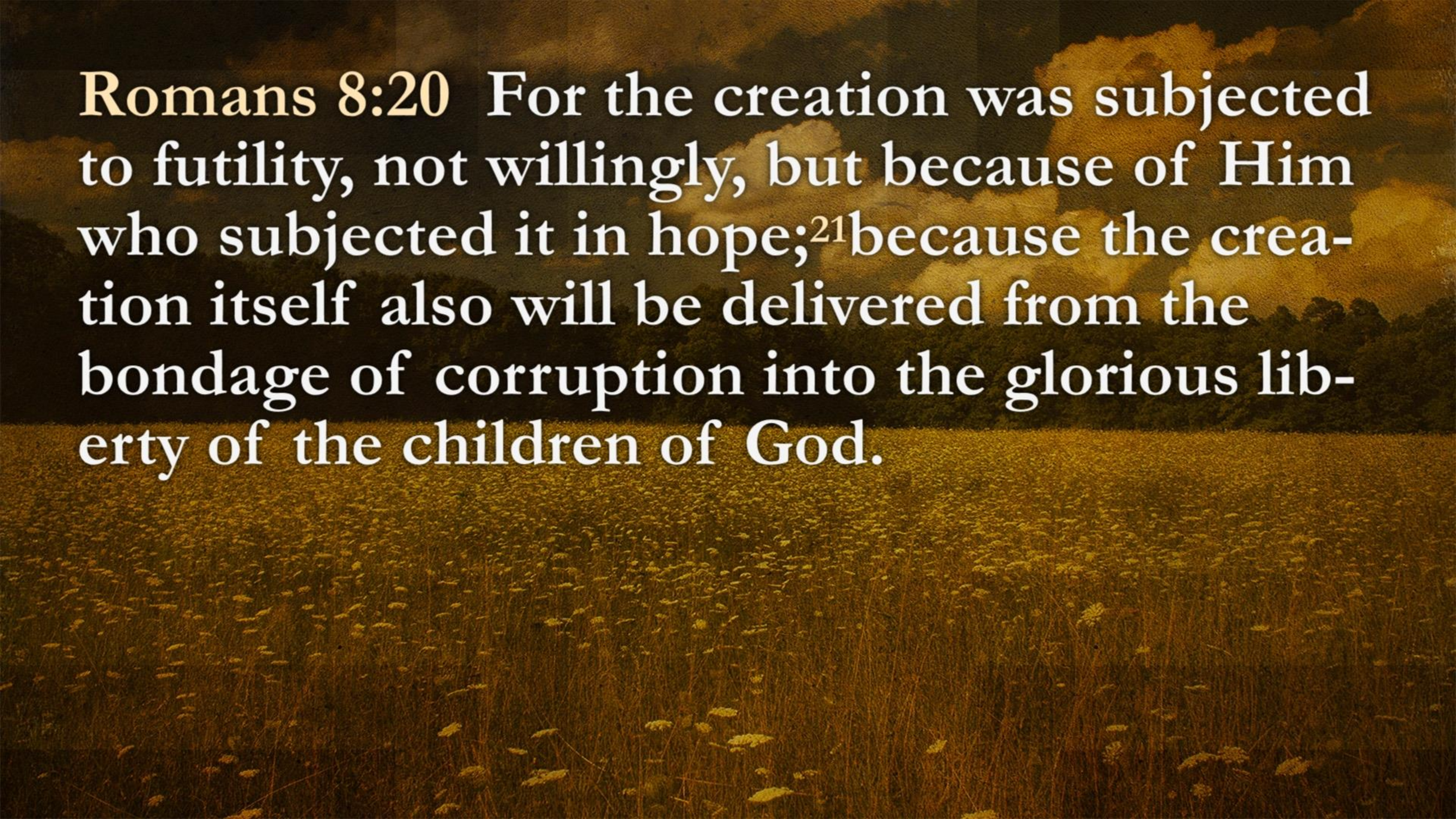




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COLOSSIANS 1:19-22

Colossians 1:19 For it pleased the Father that in Him all the fullness should dwell,²⁰ and by Him to reconcile all things to Himself, by Him, whether things on earth or things in heaven, having made peace through the blood of His cross.²¹ And you, who once were alienated and enemies in your mind by wicked works, yet now He has reconciled²² in the body of His flesh through death, to present you holy, and blameless, and above reproach in His sight—

The background of the image is a photograph of a vast field of tall, golden-brown grasses or wildflowers. The field stretches from the bottom edge to the horizon. Above the horizon, the sky is filled with large, billowing clouds in shades of orange, yellow, and dark brown, suggesting a sunset or sunrise. The overall lighting is warm and atmospheric.

Romans 8:20 For the creation was subjected to futility, not willingly, but because of Him who subjected it in hope;²¹ because the creation itself also will be delivered from the bondage of corruption into the glorious liberty of the children of God.

Colossians 1:5 For though I am absent in the flesh, yet I am with you in spirit, rejoicing to see your good order and the steadfastness of your faith in Christ.⁶As you have therefore received Christ Jesus the Lord, so walk in Him,⁷rooted and built up in Him and established in the faith, as you have been taught, abounding in it with thanksgiving.

OUR PAST BEFORE RECONCILIATION

Colossians 1:21 And you, that were sometime alienated and enemies in your mind by wicked works, yet now hath he reconciled

THE PLACE OF RECONCILIATION

Colossians 1:22 in the body of His flesh
through death, to present you holy, and
blameless, and above reproach in His
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THE PRICE OF RECONCILIATION

Colossians 1:22 in the body of His flesh through death, to present you holy, and blameless, and above reproach in His sight—

THE PURPOSE OF RECONCILIATION

Colossians 1:22 In the body of his flesh through death, to present you holy and unblameable and unreproveable in his sight:²³ If ye continue in the faith grounded and settled, and be not moved away from the hope of the gospel, which ye have heard, and which was preached to every creature which is under heaven; whereof I Paul am made a minister;

THE PURPOSE OF RECONCILIATION

1 Thessalonians 4:3a For this is the will of God, your sanctification:

Hebrews 10:14 For by one offering He has perfected forever those who are being sanctified.

THE PURPOSE OF RECONCILIATION

Colossians 1:23b whereof I Paul am made a minister.

Acts 20:28 “Take heed therefore unto yourselves, and to all the flock, over the which the Holy Ghost hath made you overseers, to feed the church of God, which he hath purchased with his own blood.”