



## The Beatitudes – Part 2 Blessed Are Those Who Mourn

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**Matthew 5:4 (NIV)**, “**Blessed** are those who **mourn**, for they will be **comforted**.”

**Isaiah 53:3 (NLT)**, “He was despised and rejected – a **man of sorrows**, acquainted with **deepest grief**.”

### 1. Trust God's \_\_\_\_\_.

**Isaiah 55:8-9 (LB)**, “This **plan** of mine is not what you would work out, neither are my **thoughts** the same as yours! For just as the heavens are higher than the earth, so are **my ways higher than yours**, and my thoughts than yours.”

**Hebrews 11:33-40 (NLT)**, “By **faith**, these people **overthrew** kingdoms, **ruled** with justice, and **received** what God had **promised** them...**escaped** death...their weakness turned to **strength**...put whole **armies** to flight...**BUT** others were **tortured**...they placed their **hope** in a **better life after the resurrection**...others were **chained** in **prison**...some **died** by stoning...some were **sawed** in half...others killed with the **sword**...They were **too good** for this world, wandering over **deserts** and mountains, hiding in **caves** and holes in the ground...All these people earned a good **reputation** because of their faith, yet **none** of them received **all** that God had **promised**. For God had something **better** in mind for us, so that **they** would not reach **perfection** without **us**.”

### 2. Seek God's \_\_\_\_\_.

**Psalms 34:18 (NLT)**, “The Lord is **close** to the **brokenhearted**; He **rescues** those whose **spirits** are **crushed**.”

**Psalms 42:1-3 (NIV)**, “<sup>1</sup>As the deer pants for streams of water, so **my soul pants for you, my God**. <sup>2</sup>My soul **thirsts** for God, for the living God. When can I go and **meet** with God? <sup>3</sup>**My tears have been my food** day and night, while people say to me all day long, “**Where is your God?**”

**2 Corinthians 7:10 (NLT)**, “For the **kind of sorrow** God wants us to experience leads us away from **sin** and results in **salvation**. There's no regret for that kind of sorrow. But **worldly sorrow**, which lacks repentance, results in **spiritual death**.”

**2 Corinthians 1:8-9 (NLT)**, “<sup>8</sup>We think you ought to know, dear brothers and sisters, about the trouble we went through in the province of Asia. We were **crushed** and **overwhelmed** beyond **our ability** to endure, and we thought we would **never live through it**. <sup>9</sup>In fact, **we expected to die**. But as a result, **we stopped relying on ourselves** and learned to **rely only on God**, who raises the dead.”

### 3. Receive God's \_\_\_\_\_.

**Philippians 4:6**, “And the **peace of God**, which **transcends** all understanding will guard your **hearts** and your **minds** in Christ Jesus.”

**Proverbs 17:22 (NLT)**, “A **cheerful heart** is good **medicine**, but a **broken spirit** saps a person's strength.”

**Ecclesiastes 3:1 & 4 (NIV)**, “There is a time for **everything**, and a season for every activity under the heavens. A time to **weep** and a time to **laugh**, a time to **mourn** and a time to **dance**.”

**John 14:27 (NLT)**, “I am leaving you with a gift – **peace of mind and heart**. And the peace I give is a gift the world cannot give. So, don't be **troubled** or **afraid**.”

### 4. Comfort God's \_\_\_\_\_.

**2 Corinthians 1:3-5 (NIV)**, “Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of compassion and the **God of all comfort**, who comforts us in all our troubles, **so that** we can comfort those in any trouble with **the comfort we ourselves receive** from God. For just as we **share** abundantly in the **sufferings** of Christ, so also our **comfort** abounds through Christ.”

**Revelation 21:3-4 (NIV)**, “And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying, “Now the dwelling of God is with men, and he will live with them. They will be his people, and God himself will be with them and be their God. **He will wipe every tear** from their eyes. There will be **no more death or mourning or crying or pain**, for the old order of things has passed away.”

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