

COMPASSION, MOURNING AND WEEPING BEFORE GOD

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1. **Times and Seasons. Ecc 3:4.**
v1. To every thing there is a season, a time for every purpose under heaven.
v4. A **time** to weep, a **time** to laugh, a **time** to mourn, a **time** to dance At one time it is right to weep and mourn, at another to laugh.
2. *Mat 5:4.* Blessed are those who **mourn**, for they shall be comforted. Not in hopelessness and despair, but in faith, hope and trust in God.
3. Blessed are those who express their deep feelings and concern with mourning and tears through faith and trust in God. God will hear their cry, and He will answer them. (For the lost, sick, dying, lonely, bereaved, abused, wayward, for church breakup, family upset and tragedy.)
4. *Is 30:19.* He will be very gracious unto you at the sound of your cry. When He hears it, He will answer you.
5. *Ps 34:6,15,17.* The righteous cry, the Lord hears and He answers.
6. *Heb 4:14,15.* We have a High Priest who is touched with the feelings of our infirmities.
7. *Heb 5:7, Mat 26:37,38.* Jesus prayed to the Father with strong crying and tears, that He would be saved from a (premature) death, and be able to fulfil God's will.
8. *Jn 11:35,41,42.* Jesus wept at Lazarus' tomb, and prayed to the Father.
9. *1Sam 1:7-10.* Hannah wept and prayed and God answered her.
10. God gives us our emotions and they find a place in our worship and prayer.
11. *Ps 30:5,11,12.* Weeping may endure for the night, but joy.....
12. Express your prayers with heartfelt emotion, compassion and tears, in faith and hope, to God. He will hear and answer you.
13. *1Chr 4:10.* She called him Jabez, (sorrowful), because she bore him in sorrow, (*v9*).
Jabez cried to God from the depth of his heart.
 - O God that you would **bless me** indeed and supply all my need. God says, "My Name is Jehovah Jireh, and I will supply all your needs." *Gen 22:14, Phil 4:19, Jn 6:35.*
 - **Increase** and enlarge my inheritance. God says, "I will increase you more and more, you and your children," *Ps 115:14(KJV).*
Is 54:2,3. "Enlarge the place of your tent"
 - **Strengthen** me with your mighty right hand, and God says, "I command your strength, I am your strength, be strong." *Ps 68:28,35, Is 49:5, Joel 3:10.*

- **“Deliver** me, O God, from all evil, *Lk 11:4*.
God says, “The Lord has taken away your judgments, He has cast out your enemy, the King of Israel even the Lord is in your midst, you shall not see evil anymore,” *Zeph.3:15*.
- And God heard Jabez’ cry and answered him. Amen!