

The Beatitudes – The Road To Happiness #2

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“How Can You Mend A Broken Heart?”

The common path to happiness is having the right _____

Ecclesiastes 2:11 (NIV) *when I surveyed all that my hands had done and what I had toiled to achieve, everything was meaningless, a chasing after the wind.*

God's way to happiness is having the right _____

- My happiness is not determined by what is happening _____, but by what is happening _____

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

To know and experience God's comfort:

1. Recognize that God is _____

Psalms 34:18-19 (NLT) ¹⁸The LORD is close to the brokenhearted; he rescues those who are crushed in spirit. ¹⁹The righteous face many troubles, but the LORD rescues them from each and every one.

Remember:

- God is _____

Job 13:27 (NIV) *You keep close watch on all my paths.*

- God _____

Nahum 1:7 (NIV) *The LORD is good, a refuge in times of trouble. He cares for those who trust in him.*

- God wants to _____

Hebrews 4:16 (NIV) *Let us then approach the throne of grace with confidence, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help us in our time of need.*

2. Release my _____

Isaiah 43:18-19 (NCV) ¹⁸The LORD says, “Forget what happened before, and do not think about the past. ¹⁹Look at the new thing I am going to do. It is already happening. Don't you see it? I will make a road in the desert and rivers in the dry land.

Romans 12:19 (LB) *Dear friends, never avenge yourselves. Leave that to God, for He has said HE will repay those who deserve it.*

Psalm 10 – The Victim's Psalm

3. Rely on _____

God's comforters:

- God's _____

Psalms 119:25, 52 (NLT) ²⁵I lie in the dust, completely discouraged; revive me by your word... ⁵²I meditate on your age-old laws; O LORD, they comfort me.

- God's _____

2 Corinthians 1:3-4 (NIV) ³Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of compassion and the God of all comfort, ⁴who comforts us in all our troubles, so that we can comfort those in any trouble with the comfort we ourselves have received from God.

- God's _____

Romans 15:13 (NIV) *May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace as you trust in him, so that you may overflow with hope by the power of the Holy Spirit.*

Revelation 21:4

August memory verse: Isaiah 26:3 (NLT) *You will keep in perfect peace all who trust in you, whose thoughts are fixed on you!*