



Tragedy in Troubles but Triumph of God's Comfort

Job 1:21 to be true "Naked I came from my mother's womb, and naked shall I return. The Lord gave, and the Lord has taken away; blessed be the name of the Lord."

1. God Is the Source of All Comfort

"3 All praise to God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ. God is our merciful Father and **the source of all comfort.**

4 He comforts us in all our troubles so that we can comfort others. When they are troubled, we will be able to give them the same comfort God has given us." **2**

Corinthians 1:3-4

"The Lord is close to the brokenhearted and saves those who are crushed in spirit." ***Psalms 34:18***

"I, even I, am he who comforts you. Who are you that you fear mere mortals, human beings who are but grass?" ***Isaiah 51:12***

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"5 For the more we suffer for Christ, the more God will shower us with his comfort through Christ. 6 Even when we are weighed down with troubles, it is for your comfort and salvation! For when we ourselves are comforted, we will certainly comfort you. Then you can patiently endure the same things we suffer. 7 We are confident that as you share in our sufferings, you will also share in the comfort God gives us." ***2 Corinthians 1:5-7***

"Now if we are children, then we are heirs—heirs of God and co-heirs with Christ, if indeed we share in his sufferings in order that we may also share in his glory." ***Romans 8:17***

"I want to know Christ—yes, to know the power of his resurrection and participation in his sufferings, becoming like him in his death." ***Philippians 3:10***

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"8 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. 9 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." **2 Corinthians 1:8-9**

"Trust in the Lord with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding; in all your ways submit to him, and he will make your paths straight." **Proverbs 3:5-6**

"I lift up my eyes to the mountains—where does my help come from? My help comes from the Lord, the Maker of heaven and earth." **Psalms 121:1-2**

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"10 And he did rescue us from mortal danger, and he will rescue us again. We have placed our confidence in him, and he will continue to rescue us. 11 And you are helping us by praying for us. Then many people will give thanks

because God has graciously answered so many prayers for our safety." **2 Corinthians 1:10-11**

"The righteous person may have many troubles, but the Lord delivers him from them all." **Psalm 34:19**

"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." **Romans 15:13**

"I have told you these things so that in me you will have peace. In this world, you will have trouble. But take heart! I have overcome the world." **John 16:33**

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