

The Comfort of True Bliss

Matthew 5:4 & Selected Scriptures

Introduction:

Biblical Joy: *An unspeakable gladness, a gift from God, that refreshes our soul.*

- **Matthew 5:4** *“Blessed are those who mourn, for they shall be comforted.”*

Principles The Lord Wants Us To Expect

1. Let's expect to be _____.

(Matthew 4:24-25; Matthew 5:1-3)

- **Makarios** = *“a sense of wellbeing that transcends circumstances.”*

2. Let's expect to _____.

- **“Mourn”** = *a kind of grief so deep that it takes possession of the entire person.* (Genesis 37:34)

a. We mourn our _____.

b. We mourn our _____.

c. We mourn our _____.

- **Psalm 51:3** *“I know my transgressions, and my sin is ever before me.”*

3. Let's expect to be _____.

- **“Comforted”** = *“they shall be encouraged”* or *“they shall be invited in.”*

(Philippians 4:6-7; Psalm 23:4; Isaiah 49:13; Psalm 34:18; Matt. 11:28-29)

4. Look for ways to comfort _____.

(2 Corinthians 1:3-4)

Conclusion:

Verse for May 2023 - Psalm 16:11 (ESV) *“You make known to me the path of life; in Your Presence there is fullness of joy; at Your Right Hand are pleasures forevermore.”*

My Commitment: *“Lord, based upon what I heard You say to me this morning I choose to obey You by. . .”*

Our Fellowship: Before you leave ask someone: *“What did God say to you today?”*

Deuteronomy 30:14 (TM) *The Word is right here and now - as near as the tongue in your mouth, as near as the heart in your chest. Just do it!*