

Comfort
2 Corinthians 1:3-11
September 28, 2025

2 Corinthians 1:3 (NLT)

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

Source – means point of origin/beginning; one that initiates/Author; fountainhead - Websters Dictionary

2 Corinthians 1:4 (NLT)

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.

Psalms 40:1-3 (NLT)

A psalm of David.

¹ I waited patiently for the LORD to help me, and he turned to me and heard my cry. ² He lifted me out of the pit of despair, out of the mud and the mire. He set my feet on solid ground and steadied me as I walked along. ³ He has given me a new song to sing, a hymn of praise to our God. Many will see what he has done and be amazed. They will put their trust in the LORD.

Comforts – (paraklosis) – means to stand beside a person, encouraging and helping him or her in a time of trouble.

Psalms 23 (ESV)

¹ The **LORD is my shepherd**; I shall not want. ² **He makes me** lie down in green pastures. He **leads me** beside still waters. ³ He **restores my soul**. He **leads me** in paths of righteousness for his name's sake. ⁴ Even though *I walk through the valley of the shadow of death*, I will fear no evil, for **you are with me**; your rod and your staff, **they comfort me**. ⁵ **You prepare a table** before me in the presence of my enemies; **you anoint my head with oil**; my cup overflows. ⁶ Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life, and I shall dwell in the house of the LORD forever.

John 14:16-17a, 18 (NLT)

¹⁶ And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Advocate, who will never leave you. ^{17a} He is the Holy Spirit, who leads into all truth. ¹⁸ No, I will not abandon you as orphans—I will come to you.

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Advocate – means Comforter, Encourager or Counselor.

2 Corinthians 1:5 (NLT)

⁵For the more we suffer for Christ, the more God will shower us with his comfort through Christ.

2 Corinthians 1:9-11 (NLT)

⁹In 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. ¹⁰And 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.

¹¹And 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.

Your prayers to God...

- ***Matters***
- ***Makes a difference***
- ***Are felt by others***