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BORN IS THE KING



Part 2:
Closer to the Hurting

3 Truths about how He comes closer
to the Hurting:

- **He is Present in Our Pain**
- **He is Empathetic to Our Pain**
- **He is Revealed through Our Pain**

Luke 7:11-17

¹¹ Soon afterward he went to a town called Nain, and his disciples and a great crowd went with him. ¹² As he drew near to the gate of the town, behold, a man who had died was being carried out, the only son of his mother, and she was a widow, and a considerable crowd from the town was with her. ¹³ And when the Lord saw her, he had compassion on her and said to her, "Do not weep."

Luke 7:11-17

¹⁴ Then he came up and touched the bier, and the bearers stood still. And he said, “Young man, I say to you, arise.” ¹⁵ And the dead man sat up and began to speak, and Jesus gave him to his mother. ¹⁶ Fear seized them all, and they glorified God, saying, “A great prophet has arisen among us!” and “God has visited his people!” ¹⁷ And this report about him spread through the whole of Judea and all the surrounding country.

A deep blue, starry night sky with a dark silhouette of mountains at the bottom. The stars are scattered across the sky, with a few brighter ones. The text "Present in Our Pain" is centered in the middle of the image.

Present in Our Pain

Luke 7:11-12

¹¹ Soon afterward he went to a town called Nain, and his disciples and a great crowd went with him. ¹² As he drew near to the gate of the town, behold, a man who had died was being carried out, the only son of his mother, and she was a widow, and a considerable crowd from the town was with her.

Psalms 34:18

The LORD is near to the brokenhearted and saves the crushed in spirit.

The background of the image is a deep blue, starry night sky. The stars are of various sizes and brightness, creating a dense field of light points. At the bottom of the image, there is a dark, silhouetted horizon line that resembles a range of mountains or hills. The overall mood is serene and contemplative.

Empathetic to Our Pain

Luke 7:13

¹³ And when the Lord saw her, he had compassion on her and said to her, “Do not weep.” ¹⁴ Then he came up and touched the bier, and the bearers stood still. And he said, “Young man, I say to you, arise.”

Isaiah 52:3

He was despised and rejected by men, a man of sorrows and acquainted with grief; and as one from whom men hide their faces he was despised, and we esteemed him not.

John 11:33-36

³³ When Jesus saw her weeping, and the Jews who had come with her also weeping, he was deeply moved in his spirit and greatly troubled. ³⁴ And he said, "Where have you laid him?" They said to him, "Lord, come and see." ³⁵ Jesus wept. ³⁶ So the Jews said, "See how he loved him!"

The image features a deep blue, star-filled night sky as the background. The stars are of varying sizes and brightness, creating a dense field of light. At the bottom of the frame, there is a dark, silhouetted horizon line that resembles a range of mountains or hills. The overall mood is serene and contemplative.

Revealed through Our Pain

Luke 7:16

Fear seized them all, and they glorified God, saying, “A great prophet has arisen among us!” and “God has visited his people!”

A wooden boat is positioned on a dark, pebbly beach at night. The sky is a deep blue, filled with numerous small stars. A single, prominent bright star with a lens flare is located in the upper center of the frame. The word "Closer" is written in a glowing, white, cursive font across the middle of the image, appearing to be superimposed on the boat and the sky.

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