



**Jesus Matters: In Our Grief**  
**2 Corinthians 1:3-11**

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At some point, we will all experience grief. There are times when grief can be so great it seems like the end of the world as we know it.

There are many sources of grief. A broken relationship, the loss of a pet, a friend or child who moves away and the death of a loved one are all causes of grief. The greater the grief is the longer it takes to heal.

In this text, we will see that we have a merciful God and Savior who draws near to us and comforts us in our times of grief.

**The Main Thought...**

➤ *Grief can come from many sources, but genuine comfort can be found in \_\_\_\_\_ alone.*

**1. He \_\_\_\_\_ near to us (v. 3-4).**

- *His \_\_\_\_\_ ministers to us (v. 3).*
- *His \_\_\_\_\_ minister to us (v. 4).*

Isa. 53:3a; Heb. 4:15; Ps. 34:18; 121:1-2; Jn. 14:16; 2 Tm. 4:9

**2. He is at \_\_\_\_\_ in us (v. 5-10).**

- *He is making us better \_\_\_\_\_ (v. 5-7).*
- *He is teaching us to \_\_\_\_\_ fully on Him (v. 8-9).*
- *He is refocusing us on our blessed \_\_\_\_\_ (v. 10).*

Rm. 5:3-5; 2 Cor. 12:9; Rm. 8:18, 28

**3. He \_\_\_\_\_ us through the prayers of many (v. 11).**

Mt. 5:4; Rm. 8:34

**When others are going through grief...**

- *Go to them and \_\_\_\_\_ to them.*
- *Keep in regular \_\_\_\_\_ with them.*
- *Do not say \_\_\_\_\_ and foolish things to them.*
- *Be especially \_\_\_\_\_, loving and kind to them.*
- *\_\_\_\_\_ continually for them being sensitive to the Spirit.*