

Teaching Series: Happy Time: 4.3.16

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The word blessed here simply means happy.

Matthew 5:4, Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted."

God doesn't expect me to be _____ all the time.
(Ecclesiastes 3:4)

SIX WAYS GOD BLESSES A BROKEN HEART

1. God _____ to himself.

Psalm 34:18, "The Lord is close to the brokenhearted, and he saves those whose spirits have been crushed."

2. God _____ with us.

Isaiah 53:3 "He was despised and rejected by mankind, a man of suffering, and familiar with pain."

3. God gives us a church family _____.

Romans 12 "In Christ we who are many form one Body, and each member belongs to all the others . . . Be devoted to each other like a loving family . . . Rejoice with those who rejoice and mourn with those who mourn." (vv. 5,10,15)

4. God uses grief _____.

James 1:2-3, "Consider it pure joy, my brothers and sisters, whenever you face trials of many kinds,³ because you know that the testing of your faith produces perseverance."

Romans 8:28 which says "And we know that in all things God works for the good of those who love him, who have been called according to his purpose."

5. God gives us _____.

Revelation 22:3, "No longer will there be any curse..."

6. God uses our pain _____.

2 Corinthians 1:4, "God comforts us in all our troubles so that we can comfort others with the same comfort we received from God."

Hebrews 12:2, "...For the joy set before him he endured the cross..."

