

## “God Comforts His Own”

- ⇒ **Text:** 2 Corinthians 1:3-4
- ⇒ **Intro:**
  - This morning we want to look at four ways that God comforts His own.
- ⇒ **I. God Comforts with His Presence**
  - **See Isaiah 41:10**
  - **See Psalm 46:1-3**
  - **See Psalm 18:2**
  - **See Psalm 22:24**
  - ⇒ **A.** Many Christians are insensitive to God's presence because they are too involved in personal pursuits.
  - ⇒ **B.** God's presence brings great comfort, for we are never alone-not even during the battles of life.
    - **See Hebrews 13:5**
  - ⇒ **C.** Prayer and faith bring the awareness of God's presence.
    - **“Let us draw near with a true heart in full assurance of faith” (Heb. 10:22).**
- ⇒ **II. God Comforts with His Promises**
  - **See Romans 15:4.**
  - ⇒ **A.** Many Christians neglect to read and meditate on God's Word.
    - They rob themselves of its reassurance.
  - ⇒ **B.** After finding the promises that fit our area of need, we should read, memorize, and apply them to our needs.
  - ⇒ **C.** Notice how the Apostle Peter referred to God's promises
    - **See 2 Peter 1:4**
- ⇒ **III. God Comforts with His Peace**
  - **See Philippians 4:7**
  - ⇒ **A.** Today's world offers little peace.
    - Separation, divorce, war, strife, destruction, and terrorism abound.
  - ⇒ **B.** Christians have God's peace to comfort them.
    - Abiding deep in the soul, His peace keeps our "hearts and minds through Christ Jesus" in the midst of trouble.
  - ⇒ **C.** We must recognize God's peace and accept it.
    - Notice what Jesus said about His peace that He gives us.
      - **See John 14:27**
- ⇒ **IV. God Comforts Through His People**
  - **See 2 Corinthians 1:4, “Who comforteth us in all our tribulation, that we may be able to comfort them which are in any trouble, by the comfort wherewith we ourselves are comforted of God.”**
  - ⇒ **A.** Self-centered Christians fall short when it comes to offering comfort to those in need.
  - ⇒ **B.** Our love should reach out to those who are careworn and needy.

- o An uplifting word or a good deed may bring comfort to a troubled heart.

⇒ **Conclusion:**

- o We have seen four ways that God comforts His own.
  - **I. God Comforts with His Presence**
  - **II. God Comforts with His Promises**
  - **III. God Comforts with His Peace**
  - **IV. God Comforts Through His People**
- o The key to receive God's comfort is that you must be one of His children.
  - God cannot comfort you if you are not one of his children.
- o The Bible tells us despite what the world says that not everyone is God's child.
  - The Bible is clear how one becomes a child of God.
  - **See Gal. 3:26.**
- o My friend if you want God's comfort then you need to be saved, born-again from above by God's Holy Spirit.
  - Won't you call upon the name Lord and be saved today.
  - The Word of God says, "For whosoever shall call upon the name of the Lord shall be saved." Romans 10:13