

## The Fountain and Future of our Tears

### Scripture Study

*\*Hannah and her desperation for a child...*

*1 Samuel 1:7-18*

*7 So it was, year by year, when she went up to the house of the Lord, that she provoked her; therefore she wept and did not eat. 8 Then Elkanah her husband said to her, "Hannah, why do you weep? Why do you not eat? And why is your heart grieved? Am I not better to you than ten sons?" 9 So Hannah arose after they had finished eating and drinking in Shiloh. Now Eli the priest was sitting on the seat by the doorpost of the tabernacle of the Lord. 10 And she was in bitterness of soul, and prayed to the Lord and wept in anguish. 11 Then she made a vow and said, "O Lord of hosts, if You will indeed look on the affliction of Your maidservant and remember me, and not forget Your maidservant, but will give Your maidservant a male child, then I will give him to the Lord all the days of his life, and no razor shall come upon his head." 12 And it happened, as she continued praying before the Lord, that Eli watched her mouth. 13 Now Hannah spoke in her heart; only her lips moved, but her voice was not heard. Therefore Eli thought she was drunk. 14 So Eli said to her, "How long will you be drunk? Put your wine away from you!" 15 But Hannah answered and said, "No, my lord, I am a woman of sorrowful spirit. I have drunk, neither wine nor intoxicating drink, but have poured out my soul before the Lord. 16 Do not consider your maidservant a wicked woman, for out of the abundance of my complaint and grief I have spoken until now." 17 Then Eli answered and said, "Go in peace, and the God of Israel grant your petition which you have asked of Him." 18 And she said, "Let your maidservant find favor in your sight." So the woman went her way and ate, and her face was no longer sad.*

*\*David's wives, sons, daughters taken captive...*

*1 Samuel 30:1-8*

*1 Now it happened, when David and his men came to Ziklag, on the third day, that the Amalekites had invaded the South and Ziklag, attacked Ziklag and burned it with fire, 2 and had taken captive the women and those who were there, from small to great; they did not kill anyone, but carried them away and went their way. 3 So David and his men came to the city, and there it was, burned with fire; and their wives, their sons, and their daughters had been taken captive. 4*

*Then David and the people who were with him lifted up their voices and wept, until they had no more power to weep. 5 And David's two wives, Ahinoam the Jezreelitess, and Abigail the widow of Nabal the Carmelite, had been taken captive. 6 Now David was greatly distressed, for the people spoke of stoning him, because the soul of all the people was grieved, every man for his sons and his daughters. But David strengthened himself in the Lord his God. 7 Then David said to Abiathar the priest, Ahimelech's son, "Please bring the ephod here to me." And Abiathar brought the ephod to David. 8 So David inquired of the Lord, saying, "Shall I pursue this troop? Shall I overtake them?" And He answered him, "Pursue, for you shall surely overtake them and without fail recover all."*

***\*Elisha over Hazael becoming King and doing evil...***

*2 Kings 8:7-13*

*7 Then Elisha went to Damascus, and Ben-Hadad king of Syria was sick; and it was told him, saying, "The man of God has come here." 8 And the king said to Hazael, "Take a present in your hand, and go to meet the man of God, and inquire of the Lord by him, saying, 'Shall I recover from this disease?'" 9 So Hazael went to meet him and took a present with him, of every good thing of Damascus, forty camel-loads; and he came and stood before him, and said, "Your son Ben-Hadad king of Syria has sent me to you, saying, 'Shall I recover from this disease?'" 10 And Elisha said to him, "Go, say to him, 'You shall certainly recover.' However the Lord has shown me that he will really die." 11 Then he set his countenance in a stare until he was ashamed; and the man of God wept. 12 And Hazael said, "Why is my lord weeping?" He answered, "Because I know the evil that you will do to the children of Israel: Their strongholds you will set on fire, and their young men you will kill with the sword; and you will dash their children, and rip open their women with child." 13 So Hazael said, "But what is your servant—a dog, that he should do this gross thing?" And Elisha answered, "The Lord has shown me that you will become king over Syria."*

***\*Hezekiah's dying prayer to God...***

*2 Kings 20:1-11*

*1 In those days Hezekiah was sick and near death. And Isaiah the prophet, the son of Amoz, went to him and said to him, "Thus says the Lord: 'Set your house in order, for you shall die, and not live.'" 2 Then he turned his face toward the wall, and prayed to the Lord, saying, 3 "Remember now, O Lord, I pray, how I have walked before You in truth and with a loyal heart, and have done what was good in*

Your sight.” And Hezekiah wept bitterly. 4 And it happened, before Isaiah had gone out into the middle court, that the word of the Lord came to him, saying, 5 “Return and tell Hezekiah the leader of My people, ‘Thus says the Lord, the God of David your father: “I have heard your prayer, I have seen your tears; surely I will heal you. On the third day you shall go up to the house of the Lord. 6 And I will add to your days fifteen years. I will deliver you and this city from the hand of the king of Assyria; and I will defend this city for My own sake, and for the sake of My servant David.” ’ ”

7 Then Isaiah said, “Take a lump of figs.” So they took and laid it on the boil, and he recovered.

8 And Hezekiah said to Isaiah, “What is the sign that the Lord will heal me, and that I shall go up to the house of the Lord the third day?” 9 Then Isaiah said, “This is the sign to you from the Lord, that the Lord will do the thing which He has spoken: shall the shadow go forward ten degrees or go backward ten degrees?” 10 And Hezekiah answered, “It is an easy thing for the shadow to go down ten degrees; no, but let the shadow go backward ten degrees.” 11 So Isaiah the prophet cried out to the Lord, and He brought the shadow ten degrees backward, by which it had gone down on the sundial of Ahaz.

#### *\*Josiah responds to finding the word of God...*

2 Kings 22:15-20

15 Then she said to them, “Thus says the Lord God of Israel, ‘Tell the man who sent you to Me, 16 “Thus says the Lord: ‘Behold, I will bring calamity on this place and on its inhabitants—all the words of the book which the king of Judah has read— 17 because they have forsaken Me and burned incense to other gods, that they might provoke Me to anger with all the works of their hands. Therefore My wrath shall be aroused against this place and shall not be quenched.’ ” ’ 18 But as for the king of Judah, who sent you to inquire of the Lord, in this manner you shall speak to him, ‘Thus says the Lord God of Israel: “Concerning the words which you have heard— 19 because your heart was tender, and you humbled yourself before the Lord when you heard what I spoke against this place and against its inhabitants, that they would become a desolation and a curse, and you tore your clothes and wept before Me, I also have heard you,” says the Lord. 20 “Surely, therefore, I will gather you to your fathers, and you shall be gathered to your grave in peace; and your eyes shall not see all the calamity which I will bring on this place.” ’ ” So they brought back word to the king.

*\*Nehemiah over the condition of Jerusalem...*

*Nehemiah 1:4*

*1 The words of Nehemiah the son of Hachaliah. It came to pass in the month of Chisleu, in the twentieth year, as I was in Shushan the citadel, 2 that Hanani one of my brethren came with men from Judah; and I asked them concerning the Jews who had escaped, who had survived the captivity, and concerning Jerusalem. 3 And they said to me, "The survivors who are left from the captivity in the province are there in great distress and reproach. The wall of Jerusalem is also broken down, and its gates are burned with fire." 4 So it was, when I heard these words, that I sat down and wept, and mourned for many days; I was fasting and praying before the God of heaven.*

*\*Mordecai and the Jews over the decree of the king...*

*Esther 4:1-3*

*4 When Mordecai learned all that had happened, he tore his clothes and put on sackcloth and ashes, and went out into the midst of the city. He cried out with a loud and bitter cry. 2 He went as far as the front of the king's gate, for no one might enter the king's gate clothed with sackcloth. 3 And in every province where the king's command and decree arrived, there was great mourning among the Jews, with fasting, weeping, and wailing; and many lay in sackcloth and ashes.*

*\*Job pours out to God and longs for a Mediator...*

*Job 16:20-21*

*20 My friends scorn me; My eyes pour out tears to God.  
21 Oh, that one might plead for a man with God, as a man pleads for his neighbor!*

*\*The Lord hears David's all-night grief...*

*Psalms 6:6-9*

*6 I am weary with my groaning; All night I make my bed swim;  
I drench my couch with my tears.  
7 My eye wastes away because of grief;  
It grows old because of all my enemies. 8 Depart from me,  
all you workers of iniquity;  
For the Lord has heard the voice of my weeping.  
9 The Lord has heard my supplication;  
The Lord will receive my prayer.*

*\*David's food day and night...*

*Psalms 42:1-3*

*1 As the deer pants for the water brooks,  
So pants my soul for You, O God.*

2 My soul thirsts for God, for the living God. When shall I come and appear before God? 3 My tears have been my food day and night, While they continually say to me, "Where is your God?"

*\*In His bottle and book..*

*Psalm 56:8-9*

8 You number my wanderings; Put my tears into Your bottle;  
Are they not in Your book?

9 When I cry out to You, Then my enemies will turn back;  
This I know, because God is for me.

*\*The Lord hears his prayer and delivers his eyes...*

*Psalm 116:1-8*

1 I love the Lord, because He has heard My voice and my supplications.

2 Because He has inclined His ear to me,  
Therefore I will call upon Him as long as I live.

3 The pains of death surrounded me,  
And the pangs of Sheol laid hold of me;

I found trouble and sorrow. 4 Then I called upon the name of the Lord:  
"O Lord, I implore You, deliver my soul!"

5 Gracious is the Lord, and righteous;  
Yes, our God is merciful. 6 The Lord preserves the simple; I was brought low, and He saved me. 7 Return to your rest, O my soul,  
For the Lord has dealt bountifully with you.

8 For You have delivered my soul from death, My eyes from tears,  
And my feet from falling.

*\*Sowing, Reaping, and Rejoicing...*

*Psalm 126:5-6*

5 Those who sow in tears Shall reap in joy.

6 He who continually goes forth weeping, Bearing seed for sowing,  
Shall doubtless come again with rejoicing,  
Bringing his sheaves with him.

*\*Joy, dancing, and gladness come in the morning...*

*Psalm 30:5, 11-12*

5 For His anger is but for a moment, His favor is for life;  
Weeping may endure for a night, But joy comes in the morning.

11 You have turned for me my mourning into dancing;

You have put off my sackcloth and clothed me with gladness,

12 To the end that my glory may sing praise to You and not be silent.

O Lord my God, I will give thanks to You forever.

*\*In His time...*

*Ecclesiastes 3:4*

*A time to weep, And a time to laugh;*

*A time to mourn, And a time to dance;*

*\*Death swallowed and faces wiped of sadness forever...*

*Isaiah 25:8-9*

*8 He will swallow up death forever,*

*And the Lord God will wipe away tears from all faces;*

*The rebuke of His people He will take away from all the earth; For the Lord has spoken. 9 And it will be said in that day: "Behold, this is our God; We have waited for Him, and He will save us. This is the Lord; We have waited for Him; We will be glad and rejoice in His salvation."*

*\*Hezekiah's dying prayer to God...(Second time in Bible)*

*Isaiah 38:1-8*

*1 In those days Hezekiah was sick and near death. And Isaiah the prophet, the son of Amoz, went to him and said to him, "Thus says the Lord: 'Set your house in order, for you shall die and not live.'"*

*2 Then Hezekiah turned his face toward the wall, and prayed to the Lord, 3 and said, "Remember now, O Lord, I pray, how I have walked before You in truth and with a loyal heart, and have done what is good in Your sight." And Hezekiah wept bitterly.*

*4 And the word of the Lord came to Isaiah, saying, 5 "Go and tell Hezekiah, 'Thus says the Lord, the God of David your father: "I have heard your prayer, I have seen your tears; surely I will add to your days fifteen years. 6 I will deliver you and this city from the hand of the king of Assyria, and I will defend this city." ' 7 And this is the sign to you from the Lord, that the Lord will do this thing which He has spoken: 8 Behold, I will bring the shadow on the sundial, which has gone down with the sun on the sundial of Ahaz, ten degrees backward." So the sun returned ten degrees on the dial by which it had gone down.*

*\*Beauty for Ashes, Gladness for Mourning...*

*Isaiah 61:1-3*

*1 "The Spirit of the Lord God is upon Me, Because the Lord has anointed Me To preach good tidings to the poor; He has sent Me to heal the brokenhearted, To proclaim liberty to the captives, And the opening of the prison to those who are bound;*

*2 To proclaim the acceptable year of the Lord, And the day of vengeance of our God; To comfort all who mourn,*

*3 To console those who mourn in Zion, To give them beauty for ashes, The oil of joy for mourning, The garment of praise for the spirit of*

*heaviness; That they may be called trees of righteousness, The planting of the Lord, that He may be glorified."*

*\*Head like waters and eyes like a Fountain for his people...*

*Jeremiah 9:1, 17-18*

*1 Oh, that my head were waters, And my eyes a fountain of tears,  
That I might weep day and night  
For the slain of the daughter of my people!  
17 Thus says the Lord of hosts:  
"Consider and call for the mourning women,  
That they may come; And send for skillful wailing women,  
That they may come. 18 Let them make haste  
And take up a wailing for us,  
That our eyes may run with tears,  
And our eyelids gush with water.*

*\*Pouring out your heart like water before the Lord...*

*Lamentations 2:18-19*

*18 Their heart cried out to the Lord, "O wall of the daughter of Zion,  
Let tears run down like a river day and night; Give yourself no relief;  
Give your eyes no rest. 19 "Arise, cry out in the night,  
At the beginning of the watches; Pour out your heart like water before  
the face of the Lord. Lift your hands toward Him  
For the life of your young children,  
Who faint from hunger at the head of every street."*

*\*God marks those who sigh and cry...*

*Ezekiel 9:1-6*

*9 Then He called out in my hearing with a loud voice, saying, "Let  
those who have charge over the city draw near, each with a deadly  
weapon in his hand." 2 And suddenly six men came from the direction  
of the upper gate, which faces north, each with his battle-ax in his  
hand. One man among them was clothed with linen and had a writer's  
inkhorn at his side. They went in and stood beside the bronze altar. 3  
Now the glory of the God of Israel had gone up from the cherub, where  
it had been, to the threshold of the temple. And He called to the man  
clothed with linen, who had the writer's inkhorn at his side; 4 and the  
Lord said to him, "Go through the midst of the city, through the midst  
of Jerusalem, and put a mark on the foreheads of the men who sigh  
and cry over all the abominations that are done within it." 5 To the  
others He said in my hearing, "Go after him through the city and kill;  
do not let your eye spare, nor have any pity. 6 Utterly slay old and  
young men, maidens and little children and women;*

*but do not come near anyone on whom is the mark; and begin at My sanctuary.” So they began with the elders who were before the temple.*

***\*They shall be blessed with comfort...***

*Matthew 5:4*

*Blessed are those who mourn, For they shall be comforted.*

***\*Weeping and gnashing outside the kingdom...***

*Matthew 8:11-12*

*11 And I say to you that many will come from east and west, and sit down with Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob in the kingdom of heaven. 12 But the sons of the kingdom will be cast out into outer darkness. There will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.”*

***\*Without the wedding garment there will be weeping and gnashing...***

*Matthew 22:11-13*

*11 “But when the king came in to see the guests, he saw a man there who did not have on a wedding garment. 12 So he said to him, ‘Friend, how did you come in here without a wedding garment?’ And he was speechless. 13 Then the king said to the servants, ‘Bind him hand and foot, take him away, and cast him into outer darkness; there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.’*

***\*When the Master comes, evil servants will weep and gnash their teeth...***

*Matthew 24:45-51*

*45 “Who then is a faithful and wise servant, whom his master made ruler over his household, to give them food in due season?  
46 Blessed is that servant whom his master, when he comes, will find so doing. 47 Assuredly, I say to you that he will make him ruler over all his goods. 48 But if that evil servant says in his heart, ‘My master is delaying his coming,’ 49 and begins to beat his fellow servants, and to eat and drink with the drunkards, 50 the master of that servant will come on a day when he is not looking for him and at an hour that he is not aware of, 51 and will cut him in two and appoint him his portion with the hypocrites. There shall be weeping and gnashing of teeth.*

***\*Unprofitable servants will have weeping and gnashing of teeth...***

*Matthew 25:24-30*

*24 “Then he who had received the one talent came and said, ‘Lord, I knew you to be a hard man, reaping where you have not sown, and gathering where you have not scattered seed. 25 And I was afraid, and went and hid your talent in the ground. Look, there you have what is*



yours.' 26 "But his lord answered and said to him, 'You wicked and lazy servant, you knew that I reap where I have not sown, and gather where I have not scattered seed. 27 So you ought to have deposited my money with the bankers, and at my coming I would have received back my own with interest. 28 So take the talent from him, and give it to him who has ten talents. 29 'For to everyone who has, more will be given, and he will have abundance; but from him who does not have, even what he has will be taken away. 30 And cast the unprofitable servant into the outer darkness. There will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.'

*\*Washing the feet of Jesus and receiving forgiveness...*

*Luke 7:36-50*

36 Then one of the Pharisees asked Him to eat with him. And He went to the Pharisee's house, and sat down to eat. 37 And behold, a woman in the city who was a sinner, when she knew that Jesus sat at the table in the Pharisee's house, brought an alabaster flask of fragrant oil, 38 and stood at His feet behind Him weeping; and she began to wash His feet with her tears, and wiped them with the hair of her head; and she kissed His feet and anointed them with the fragrant oil. 39 Now when the Pharisee who had invited Him saw this, he spoke to himself, saying, "This Man, if He were a prophet, would know who and what manner of woman this is who is touching Him, for she is a sinner."

40 And Jesus answered and said to him,  
"Simon, I have something to say to you."

So he said, "Teacher, say it." 41 "There was a certain creditor who had two debtors. One owed five hundred denarii, and the other fifty. 42 And when they had nothing with which to repay, he freely forgave them both. Tell Me, therefore, which of them will love him more?"

43 Simon answered and said,

"I suppose the one whom he forgave more."

And He said to him, "You have rightly judged." 44 Then He turned to the woman and said to Simon, "Do you see this woman? I entered your house; you gave Me no water for My feet, but she has washed My feet with her tears and wiped them with the hair of her head. 45 You gave Me no kiss, but this woman has not ceased to kiss My feet since the time I came in. 46 You did not anoint My head with oil, but this woman has anointed My feet with fragrant oil.

47 Therefore I say to you, her sins, which are many, are forgiven, for she loved much. But to whom little is forgiven, the same loves little."

48 Then He said to her, "Your sins are forgiven." 49 And those who sat at the table with Him began to say to themselves, "Who is this who

*even forgives sins?” 50 Then He said to the woman,  
“Your faith has saved you. Go in peace.”*

*\*You will be blessed with laughter...*

*Luke 6:21*

*21 Blessed are you who hunger now, For you shall be filled.  
Blessed are you who weep now, For you shall laugh.*

*\*Workers of iniquity who thought they knew Jesus will have weeping  
and gnashing of teeth...*

*Luke 13:24-30*

*24 “Strive to enter through the narrow gate, for many, I say to you,  
will seek to enter and will not be able. 25 When once the Master of the  
house has risen up and shut the door, and you begin to stand outside  
and knock at the door, saying, ‘Lord, Lord, open for us,’ and He will  
answer and say to you, ‘I do not know you, where you are from,’ 26  
then you will begin to say, ‘We ate and drank in Your presence, and  
You taught in our streets.’ 27 But He will say, ‘I tell you I do not know  
you, where you are from. Depart from Me, all you workers of iniquity.’*

*28 There will be weeping and gnashing of teeth, when you see  
Abraham and Isaac and Jacob and all the prophets in the kingdom of  
God, and yourselves thrust out.*

*29 They will come from the east and the west, from the north and the  
south, and sit down in the kingdom of God. 30 And indeed there are  
last who will be first, and there are first who will be last.”*

*\*Jesus over Jerusalem and it’s future...*

*Luke 19:41-44*

*41 Now as He drew near, He saw the city and wept over it, 42 saying,  
“If you had known, even you, especially in this your day, the things  
that make for your peace! But now they are hidden from your eyes. 43*

*For days will come upon you when your enemies will build an  
embankment around you, surround you and close you in on every side,*

*44 and level you, and your children within you, to the ground; and  
they will not leave in you one stone upon another, because you did not  
know the time of your visitation.”*

*\*Jesus instructs the Daughters of Jerusalem who mourned for Him...*

*Luke 23:26-31*

*26 Now as they led Him away, they laid hold of a certain man, Simon  
a Cyrenian, who was coming from the country,*

and on him they laid the cross that he might bear it after Jesus.  
27 And a great multitude of the people followed Him, and women who also mourned and lamented Him. 28 But Jesus, turning to them, said, "Daughters of Jerusalem, do not weep for Me, but weep for yourselves and for your children. 29 For indeed the days are coming in which they will say, 'Blessed are the barren, wombs that never bore, and breasts which never nursed!' 30 Then they will begin 'to say to the mountains, "Fall on us!" and to the hills, "Cover us!" ' 31 For if they do these things in the green wood, what will be done in the dry?"

***\*Jesus touched by those at tomb of Lazarus...***

*John 11:32-35*

32 Then, when Mary came where Jesus was, and saw Him, she fell down at His feet, saying to Him, "Lord, if You had been here, my brother would not have died."

33 Therefore, when Jesus saw her weeping, and the Jews who came with her weeping, He groaned in the spirit and was troubled. 34 And He said, "Where have you laid him?" They said to Him, "Lord, come and see."

35 Jesus wept.

***\*Your sorrow will be turned into joy...***

*John 16:20-22*

20 Most assuredly, I say to you that you will weep and lament, but the world will rejoice; and you will be sorrowful, but your sorrow will be turned into joy. 21 A woman, when she is in labor, has sorrow because her hour has come; but as soon as she has given birth to the child, she no longer remembers the anguish, for joy that a human being has been born into the world. 22 Therefore you now have sorrow; but I will see you again and your heart will rejoice, and your joy no one will take from you.

***\*Friends of Tabitha showing the tunics and garments she made...***

*Acts 9:39-40*

39 Then Peter arose and went with them. When he had come, they brought him to the upper room. And all the widows stood by him weeping, showing the tunics and garments which Dorcas had made while she was with them.

40 But Peter put them all out, and knelt down and prayed. And turning to the body he said, "Tabitha, arise." And she opened her eyes, and when she saw Peter she sat up.

*\*Weep with those who weep...*

*Romans 12:15*

*15 Rejoice with those who rejoice, and weep with those who weep.*

*\*It can show the love you have in your heart...*

*2 Corinthians 2:4*

*4 For out of much affliction and anguish of heart I wrote to you, with many tears, not that you should be grieved, but that you might know the love which I have so abundantly for you.*

*\*It can be part of genuine faith and help you remember...*

*2 Timothy 1:3-5*

*3 I thank God, whom I serve with a pure conscience, as my forefathers did, as without ceasing I remember you in my prayers night and day, 4 greatly desiring to see you, being mindful of your tears, that I may be filled with joy, 5 when I call to remembrance the genuine faith that is in you, which dwelt first in your grandmother Lois and your mother Eunice, and I am persuaded is in you also.*

*\*Jesus our High Priest, who sympathizes with us, offered them up to*

*God and was heard...*

*Hebrews 5:5-8*

*5 So also Christ did not glorify Himself to become High Priest, but it was He who said to Him:*

*"You are My Son,*

*Today I have begotten You." 6 As He also says in another place:*

*"You are a priest forever According to the order of Melchizedek";*

*7 who, in the days of His flesh, when He had offered up prayers and supplications, with vehement cries and tears to Him who was able to save Him from death, and was heard because of His godly fear, 8 though He was a Son, yet He learned obedience by the things which He suffered.*

*Hebrews 4:14-16*

*14 Seeing then that we have a great High Priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus the Son of God, let us hold fast our confession.*

*15 For we do not have a High Priest who cannot sympathize with our weaknesses, but was in all points tempted as we are, yet without sin.*

*16 Let us therefore come boldly to the throne of grace, that we may obtain mercy and find grace to help in time of need.*

*Hebrews 2:17-18*

*17 Therefore, in all things He had to be made like His brethren, that He might be a merciful and faithful High Priest in things pertaining to God, to make propitiation for the sins of the people.*

*18 For in that He Himself has suffered, being tempted, He is able to aid those who are tempted.*

***\*Rejected without repentance...***

*Hebrews 12:12-17*

*12 Therefore strengthen the hands which hang down, and the feeble knees, 13 and make straight paths for your feet, so that what is lame may not be dislocated, but rather be healed.*

*14 Pursue peace with all people, and holiness, without which no one will see the Lord: 15 looking carefully lest anyone fall short of the grace of God; lest any root of bitterness springing up cause trouble, and by this many become defiled; 16 lest there be any fornicator or profane person like Esau, who for one morsel of food sold his birthright. 17 For you know that afterward, when he wanted to inherit the blessing, he was rejected, for he found no place for repentance, though he sought it diligently with tears.*

***\*Humble yourselves and let your laughter be turned to mourning...***

*James 4:9*

*7 Therefore submit to God. Resist the devil and he will flee from you. 8 Draw near to God and He will draw near to you. Cleanse your hands, you sinners; and purify your hearts, you double-minded. 9 Lament and mourn and weep! Let your laughter be turned to mourning and your joy to gloom. 10 Humble yourselves in the sight of the Lord, and He will lift you up.*

***\*Those of every nation who endure with Jesus,***

***will have them all wiped away...***

*Revelation 7:9-17*

*9 After these things I looked, and behold, a great multitude which no one could number, of all nations, tribes, peoples, and tongues, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, clothed with white robes, with palm branches in their hands, 10 and crying out with a loud voice, saying, "Salvation belongs to our God who sits on the throne, and to the Lamb!"*

*11 All the angels stood around the throne and the elders and the four living creatures, and fell on their faces before the throne and worshiped God, 12 saying:*

*"Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom,*

*Thanksgiving and honor and power and might,  
Be to our God forever and ever.  
Amen."*

*13 Then one of the elders answered, saying to me, "Who are these arrayed in white robes, and where did they come from?"*

*14 And I said to him, "Sir, you know."*

*So he said to me, "These are the ones who come out of the great tribulation, and washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb. 15 Therefore they are before the throne of God, and serve Him day and night in His temple. And He who sits on the throne will dwell among them. 16 They shall neither hunger anymore nor thirst anymore; the sun shall not strike them, nor any heat; 17 for the Lamb who is in the midst of the throne will shepherd them and lead them to living fountains of waters.*

*And God will wipe away every tear from their eyes."*

***\*On the new earth there will be no more death, sorrow, or crying...***

***God will make all things new!...***

*Revelation 21:1-6*

*1 Now I saw a new heaven and a new earth, for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away. Also there was no more sea.*

*2 Then I, John, saw the holy city, New Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. 3 And*

*I heard a loud voice from heaven saying,*

*"Behold, the tabernacle of God is with men, and He will dwell with them, and they shall be His people. God Himself will be with them and be their God. 4 And God will wipe away every tear from their eyes; there shall be no more death, nor sorrow, nor crying. There shall be no more pain, for the former things have passed away." 5 Then He who sat on the throne said, "Behold, I make all things new." And He said to me, "Write, for these words are true and faithful." 6 And He said to me, "It is done! I am the Alpha and the Omega, the Beginning and the End. I will give of the fountain of the water of life freely to him who thirsts.*