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Sermon Title: "Our Grief and God's Comfort"

Text: Matthew 5:4 (NASB)

Series: "Above the Noise"

4 "Blessed are those who mourn, for they shall be comforted."

Phillips Translation: "How happy are those who know what sorrow means for they will be given courage and comfort!"

**1. We mourn over the rejection of Jesus in our world. (Luke 19:41)**

"And when he drew near and saw the city, he wept over it"

Matthew 23:37 (ESV)

"O Jerusalem, Jerusalem, the city that kills the prophets and stones those who are sent to it! How often would I have gathered your children together as a hen gathers her brood under her wings, and you would not!

**2. We mourn with others in their suffering. (John 11:32-37)**

<sup>32</sup> Therefore, when Mary came where Jesus was, she saw Him, and fell at His feet, saying to Him, "Lord, if You had been here, my brother would not have died."<sup>33</sup> When Jesus therefore saw her weeping, and the Jews who came with her *also* weeping, He was deeply moved in spirit and was troubled, <sup>34</sup> and said, "Where have you laid him?" They said to Him, "Lord, come and see." <sup>35</sup> Jesus wept. <sup>36</sup> So the Jews were saying, "See how He loved him!" <sup>37</sup> But some of them said, "Could not this man, who opened the eyes of the blind man, have kept this man also from dying?"

**2. We mourn through our own prayers in times of suffering. (Hebrews 5:7-8)**

<sup>7</sup> In the days of His flesh, He offered up both prayers and supplications with loud crying and tears to the One able to save Him from death, and He was heard because of His piety. <sup>8</sup> Although He was a Son, He learned obedience from the things which He suffered.

John 14:16: I will ask the Father, and He will give you another Helper, that He may be with you forever."