

INSPIRATIONAL MOMENTS # 34

Thought: Jesus Wept

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Special Reading: John 11: 1-44

Scripture: John 11:35- Jesus wept.

It is so good to know Jesus our Savior felt sorrow. He cried at the death of his friend Lazarus. This tells me that when sorrow, and grief comes, Jesus understands. The Bible has many scriptures that indicate the compassion of our Lord, but this story is so real. I can just imagine in my mind, the tears that fell down on the face of our Lord were tears of sorrow, tears because he truly understood the human grief, that feeling of loss we all experience when we lose a loved one. I'm so glad that wasn't the end of the story.

You see sorrow lasts but a little while, and joy truly comes in the morning. Jesus went on to raise Lazarus from the dead. We know that one day we'll be caught up to meet our Savior in the air. There will be no more sorrow, no more tears, and no more trouble. We'll have joy, peace and happiness when we meet our Savior face to face.

The compassion of Jesus is real. He came that we might have life eternal (John 3:16). Yes, the compassion of Jesus is real because he brought healing, burden lifting power in his name. He said in his word, cast all your cares on me for I care for thee (1 Peter 5:7). He is a forgiving Savior; we only have to remember Calvary's cross. He looks beyond our faults and sees our needs. He's a God of love and mercy, evidenced by the life he walked on Earth.

Prayer: Oh Lord, how excellent is thy name in all the earth. Thank you for your love, thank you for the assurance that you care for me. Amen