



Title: Sorrows Healed

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A popular song has a line that says, “Earth has no sorrow that heaven can’t heal”. What a great line! There is no sorrow that heaven can’t heal, but if heaven can heal them all, why do we have them in the first place? That’s a great question! Where does sorrow come from? Some say from God—that He’s using them to teach us a lesson or build character in us. Does that really make sense? Why would He put hurt in our lives and then promise to heal us? And, He did promise just that. Psalm 34:19 says, “A righteous man may have many troubles, but the Lord delivers him from them all.”

So, then, where does sorrow come from? From us! We, as in mankind, we did it. James said, “When tempted, no one should say, ‘God is tempting me.’ For God cannot be tempted by evil, nor does He tempt anyone, but each one is tempted when, by his own evil desire, he is dragged away and enticed. Then, after desire has conceived, it gives birth to sin; and sin, when it is full-grown, gives birth to death” (James 1:13-15). But, it’s not necessarily our sin that causes us trouble; it’s sin in general. God put two special trees in the garden of Eden—the tree of life and the tree of the knowledge of good and evil, or you could say, the tree of innocence lost. One had unrestricted access; the other had a skull-and-crossbones warning, “Don’t eat this or you will die.” We know what happened. That was the very moment that suffering and sorrow and death entered the earth.

God didn’t do it; He’s better than that! No, in Deuteronomy, it is written, “I will proclaim the name of the Lord. Oh, praise the greatness of our God! He is the Rock, His works are perfect, and all His ways are just. A faithful God who does no wrong, upright and just is He” (Deuteronomy 32:3-4). Psalms says, “As for God, His way is perfect” (Psalm 18:30).

As much as there is sorrow, even more there is healing! The sorrows of all the earth do not outweigh the healing offered to us by our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. He reopened the path to the tree of life by His own suffering and sorrow and death. Once again, we have unrestricted access to life and, in Him, life in abundance.

Earth has no sorrow that heaven can’t heal; it’s more than a great line. It’s an invitation.