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ALL SAINTS

GOD BRINGS COMFORT TO THOSE WHO MOURN





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Share your highs and lows, or respond to the following:

- 1. What does it mean to mourn?
- 2. Have you mourned someone? Who helped you?



Read the following Bible readings throughout this week. Talk about what words or phrases stand out for you.

1st reading

2nd reading

Jeremiah 31:10-13

Joy instead of sorrow

2 Corinthians 1:3-5 God of all comfort

Gospel reading

Matthew 5:1-12 The Beatitudes

DISCUSS

God promises to comfort those who mourn. How does he do this?



Light a candle for any of your relatives or

friends who have died. Share memories. Read Revelation 21:1-4 and pray this prayer:

Lord God, we thank you for the life of (name). Thank you for the blessings that came to us through them. Thank you that they now have eternal life with you. In Jesus' name we pray, Amen.



MEALTIME PRAYER

Lord God, we bring you our praise and thanks. You meet our needs with this meal and give us hope for the life to come. All glory be to you. Amen.



Lord God, please comfort us when we are sad. Give us the hope that comes from your promises. Amen.

## BLESSING

May God comfort you when you are sad and bless you with hope and peace through Jesus.

## GOD BLESSES THOSE WHO MOURN, FOR THEY WILL BE COMFORTED.

MATTHEW 5:4

