**Lifting the Veil of Grief**

Psalm 30:11-12

**Psalm 30:11 (NKJV)**You have turned for me my mourning into dancing; You have put off my sackcloth and clothed me with gladness,

**Psalm 30:12 (NKJV)**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.

1. **God Understands the Feelings of Grief**

**Psalm 30:3 (NKJV)**O Lord, You brought my soul up from the grave; You have kept me alive, that I should not go down to the pit.

**Psalm 30:7-8 (NKJV)**You hid Your face, and I was troubled. I cried out to You, O Lord; and to the Lord I made supplication.

**Psalm 30:10 (NKJV)**Hear, O Lord, and have mercy on me; Lord, be my helper!”

**Psalm 119:28 (NKJV)**My soul melts from heaviness; Strengthen me according to Your word.

**Isaiah 53:3 (NKJV)**He is despised and rejected by men, a Man of sorrows and acquainted with grief. And we hid, as it were, our faces from Him; He was despised, and we did not esteem Him.

**John 11:35 (NKJV)**Jesus wept.

1. **God Enters the Process of Grief**

**Psalm 30:5 (NKJV)**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.

**Psalm 6:2 (NKJV)**Have mercy on me, O Lord, for I am weak; O Lord, heal me, for my bones are troubled.

**Psalm 6:3 (NKJV)**My soul also is greatly troubled; But You, O Lord—how long?

**Psalm 6:6-7 (NKJV)**I am weary with my groaning; All night I make my bed swim; I drench my couch with my tears. My eye wastes away because of grief.

1. **God Transforms the Experience of Grief**

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**Jeremiah 31:13 (NKJV)**For I will turn their mourning to joy, will comfort them, and make them rejoice rather than sorrow.

**1 Thessalonians 4:13 (NKJV)**But I do not want you to be ignorant, brethren, concerning those who have fallen asleep, lest you sorrow as others who have no hope.

**Revelation 21:4 (NKJV)**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.