

ENDING OUR SADNESS



Sadness.

Existential sadness.

It weighs down refugee camps and bombed cities.

It seeps under the doors of Wall Street greed.

It eats at the soul of billionaires and paupers.

Sadness of the inmost soul.

No wonder he wept over Jerusalem!

No wonder he shuddered, as he looked ahead through the centuries, and saw endless wars.

So he opened his arms wide and received all that sadness into himself....

....and took it with him into death, as he hung on the cross.



When he emerged as the Firstborn of the New Creation, his first words to his followers were:

“Peace be with you.”



And their sadness turned to joy.

Your sadness will end when your spirit hears those words from his mouth---and believes them.

“Peace be with you.”

No other words from any other mouth will end your sadness.



Prayer: Dear Lord, disappointment, devastation, fear, loss, injustice, cruelty surround us. It overwhelms us and leaves us feeling helpless and hopeless.... and sad, oh so sad. End our sadness, bring us peace Lord, as we sense you absorbing all the world's sadness and all the sadness in our own souls. May we sense your great love for us and embrace the peace you offer in return. And may this end our sadness and turn it into joy. Amen.

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WHO WAS SLAIN
HAS BEGUN HIS REIGN