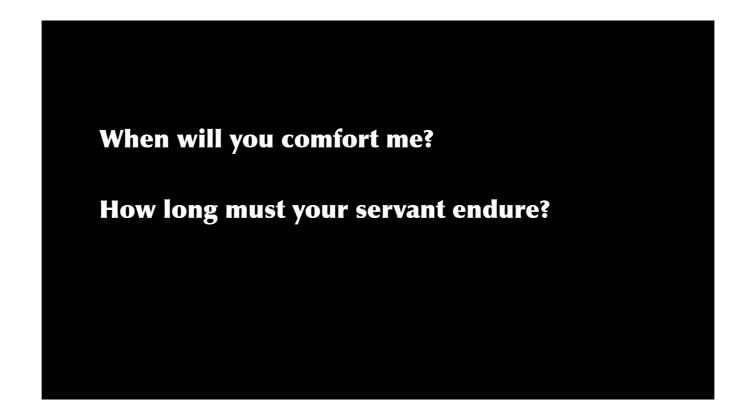




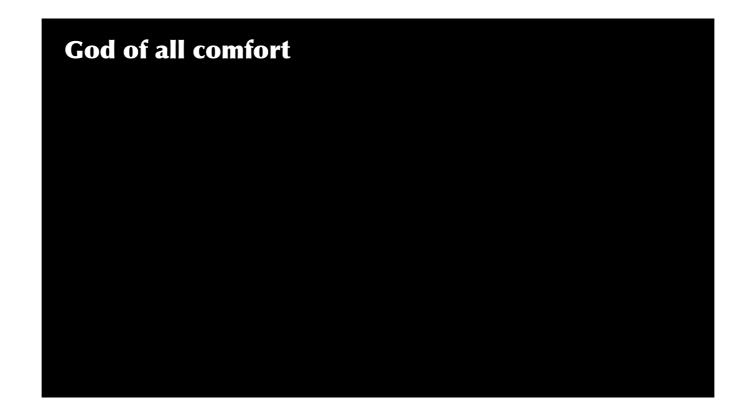
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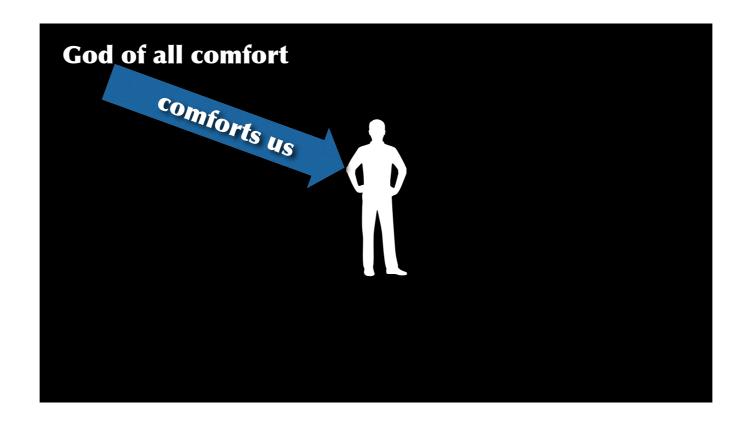
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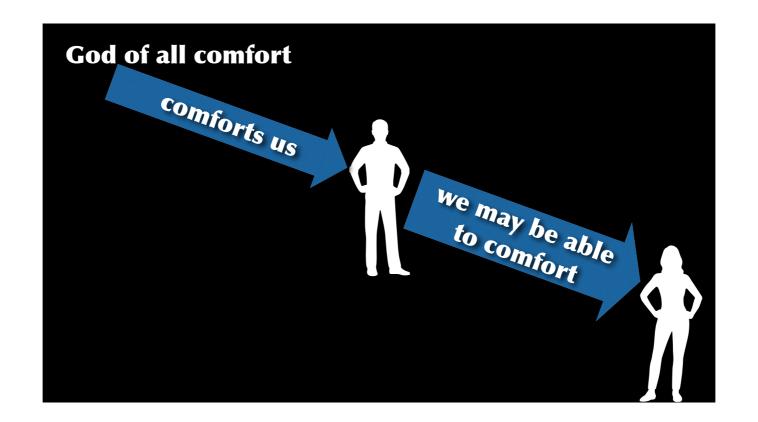
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· How does God comfort me?



- · Wilderness to Eden!
 - · Joy, gladness
 - · Thanks and Song
- · Isaiah 51:3 (ESV Strong's) 3 For the Lord comforts Zion; he comforts all her waste places and makes her wilderness like Eden, her desert like the garden of the Lord; joy and gladness will be found in her, thanksgiving and the voice of song.

How does God comfort me? Your steadfast love Psalm 119:76

· Salvation:

- · Steadfast love, promise
- $\cdot\,$ Psalms 119:76 (ESV) 76 Let your steadfast love comfort me according to your promise to your servant.



- · Salvation: through grace
- 2 Thessalonians 2:16-17 (ESV Strong's) 16 Now may our Lord Jesus Christ himself, and God our Father, who loved us and gave us eternal comfort and good hope through grace, 17 comfort your hearts and establish them in every good work and word.
 - Eternal comfort
 - · Good Hope



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 - · Promise and hope
 - · Think of rules... take comfort.
- Psalms 119:49-52 (ESV) 49 Remember your word to your servant, in which you have made me hope. 50 This is my comfort in my affliction, that your promise gives me life. 51 The insolent utterly deride me, but I do not turn away from your law. 52 When I think of your rules from of old, I take comfort, O Lord.

How does God comfort me?

Your promise gives me life

Psalm 119:50

- · Where Could I Go? J.B. Coats
 - · Comfort I get from God's own Word



- · Rod and Staff
- · Psalms 23:4 (ESV) 4 Even though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil, for you are with me; your rod and your staff, they comfort me.
 - Discipline
 - Protection



- · The Holy Spirit
 - Acts 9:31 (ESV Strong's) 31 So the church throughout all Judea and Galilee and Samaria had peace and was being built up. And walking in the fear of the Lord and in the comfort of the Holy Spirit, it multiplied.
 - · After persecution of Saul has ended!



· The Comforter

· John 14:26 (ESV) 26 But the **Helper**, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, he will teach you all things and bring to your remembrance all that I have said to you. (KJV, ASV: Comforter)



Word

- · John 16:13 (ESV) 13 When the Spirit of truth comes, he will guide you into all the truth, for he will not speak on his own authority, but whatever he hears he will speak, and he will declare to you the things that are to come.
- Romans 8:16-17 (ESV) 16 The Spirit himself bears witness with our spirit that we are children of God, 17 and if children, then heirs—heirs of God and fellow heirs with Christ, provided we suffer with him in order that we may also be glorified with him.

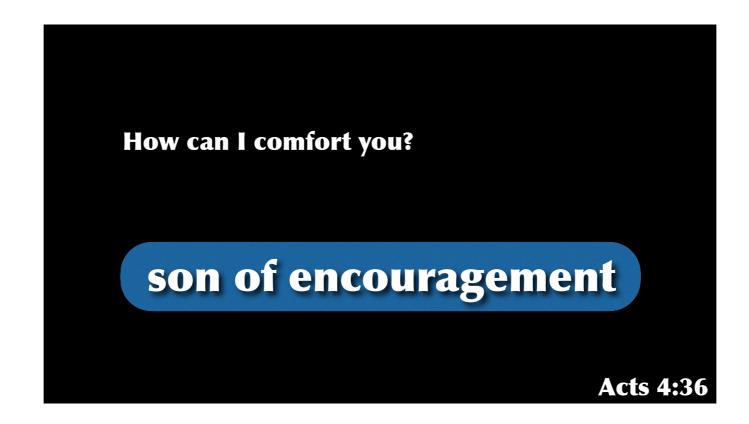


Prayer

• Romans 8:26 (ESV) 26 Likewise the Spirit helps us in our weakness. For we do not know what to pray for as we ought, but the Spirit himself intercedes for us with groanings too deep for words.



· How does God comfort me?



· Acts 4:36-37 (ESV Strong's) 36 Thus Joseph, who was also called by the apostles Barnabas (which means son of encouragement), a Levite, a native of Cyprus, 37 sold a field that belonged to him and brought the money and laid it at the apostles' feet.



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We implore you on behalf of Christ, be reconciled to God.

2 Corinthians 5:20

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My Comfort in My Affliction

Psalm 119:150

Synopsis: Our Father is the God of all comfort. In the midsts of afflictions, when we wonder how long we must endure, we can be assured that our God will comfort us. In this lesson we'll see that the comforts us in our salvation, discipline, and the Word, and the Holy Spirit. It's vital that we respond by comforting those around us who are afflicted also.

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