

the of God in the valley of tears.

*Behold our shield, O God, And look upon the face of Your anointed.
10 For a day in Your courts is better than a thousand outside. I would
rather stand at the threshold of the house of my God Than dwell in the
tents of wickedness. 11 For the LORD God is a sun and shield; The LORD
gives grace and glory; No good thing does He withhold from those who
walk uprightly. 12 O LORD of hosts, How blessed is the man who trusts in
You!*
Psalms 84:9-12 (NASB)

Blessed by God's presence. (vs. 10a)
Blessed to serve in His kingdom. (vs. 10b)
Blessed to have God's care. (vs. 11a)
Blessed to live in grace. (vs. 11b)
Blessed to behold His glory. (vs. 11b)
Blessed in His good plan. (vs. 11b)

*For His anger is but for a moment,
His favor is for a lifetime;
Weeping may last for the night,
But a shout of joy comes in the morning.
Psalms 30:5 (NASB)*

*And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying, "Look! God's dwelling
place is now among the people, and he will dwell with them. They will be
his people, and God himself will be with them and be their God. 4 'He
will wipe every tear from their eyes. There will be no more death' or
mourning or crying or pain, for the old order of things has passed
away." 5 He who was seated on the throne said, "I am making everything
new!" Then he said, "Write this down, for these words are trustworthy
and true." 6 He said to me: "It is done. I am the Alpha and the Omega,
the Beginning and the End. To the thirsty I will give water without cost
from the spring of the water of life." Revelation 21:3-7 (NIV)*

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*Blessed are those whose strength is in you, whose hearts are set on
pilgrimage. 6 As they pass through the Valley of Baka, they make it a
place of springs; the autumn rains also cover it with pools. 7 They go
from strength to strength, till each appears before God in Zion.*

Psalms 84:5-7 (NIV)

Valley of Baka = Valley of weeping, tears, loss

*There is a time for everything, and a season for every activity under the
heavens: 4 a time to weep and a time to laugh, a time to mourn and a
time to dance.*
Ecclesiastes 3:1, 4 (NIV)

_____ to enter the valley of tears.

_____ an ongoing desire to be with _____.

*How lovely is your dwelling place, LORD Almighty! 2 My soul yearns,
even faints, for the courts of the LORD; my heart and my flesh cry out for
the living God.*
Psalms 84: 1-2 (NIV)

*As the deer pants for streams of water, so my soul pants for you, my
God. 2 My soul thirsts for God, for the living God. When can I go and
meet with God?*
Psalms 42:1-2 (NIV)

the truth that God desires with me.

*Even the sparrow has found a home, and the swallow a nest for herself, where she may have her young—a place near your altar, LORD Almighty, my King and my God. ⁴**Blessed are those who dwell in your house; they are ever praising you.** Selah Psalm 84:3, 4 (NIV)*

The Lord is my shepherd, I shall not want. Psalm 23:1

*...‘This is what the LORD, the God of your father David, says:
I have heard your prayer and seen your tears...II Kings 20:5b (NIV)*

*God heard the boy crying, and the angel of God called to Hagar from heaven and said to her, “What is the matter, Hagar? Do not be afraid; God has heard the boy crying as he lies there.
Genesis 21:17 (NIV)*

*In her deep anguish Hannah prayed to the LORD, weeping bitterly.
I Samuel 1:10 (NIV)*

I am worn out from my groaning. All night long I flood my bed with weeping and drench my couch with tears. ⁷My eyes grow weak with sorrow; they fail because of all my foes. ⁸Away from me, all you who do evil, for the LORD has heard my weeping. ⁹The LORD has heard my cry for mercy; the LORD accepts my prayer. Psalm 6:6-9 (NIV)

*You keep track of all my sorrows. You have collected all my tears in your bottle. You have recorded each one in your book.
Psalm 56:8 (NLT)*

through the valley of tears.

*Blessed are those whose strength is in you, whose hearts are set on pilgrimage. ⁶As they pass through the Valley of Baka, they make it a place of springs; the autumn rains also cover it with pools. ⁷They go from strength to strength, till each appears before God in Zion. ⁸Hear my prayer, LORD God Almighty; listen to me, God of Jacob. Selah
Psalm 84:5-8 (NIV)*

*Three times I pleaded with the Lord to take it away from me. ⁹But he said to me, “**My grace is sufficient for you, for my power is made perfect in weakness.**” Therefore I will boast all the more gladly about my weaknesses, so that Christ’s power may rest on me.
II Corinthians 12:8-9 (NIV)*

*He heals the brokenhearted and binds up their wounds.
Psalm 147:3 (NIV)
The LORD is close to the brokenhearted;
those who are crushed in spirit. Psalm 34:18 (NIV)*

Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of compassion and the God of all comfort, ⁴who comforts us in all our troubles, so that we can comfort those in any trouble with the comfort we ourselves receive from God. II Corinthians 1:3-4 (NIV)

Jesus wept. John 11:35 (NIV)

***“God will not reproach you for the tears you shed as
you walk through the ruins of our broken world.”
(John Piper)***

Transform _____ into a pilgrimage.

*“whose hearts are set on pilgrimage.” Psalm 84:5b (NIV)
“In whose heart are the highways to Zion!” Psalm 84:5b(NASB)*

*A voice of one calling: “In the wilderness prepare the way for the Lord; make straight in the desert a highway for our God. Every valley shall be raised up, every mountain and hill made low; the rough ground shall become level, the rugged places a plain. And the glory of the Lord will be revealed, and all people will see it together. For the mouth of the Lord has spoken.”
Isaiah 40:3-5 NIV*

*I will pass through this valley. (vs. 6a)
I will refresh others. (vs. 6b)
I will grow stronger. (vs. 7a)
I will see God. (vs. 7b)
I will be transformed in the struggle. (vs. 5, 8)*