

# For those who mourn the fallen condition of this world.

James. 4:7-12 kjv

7 Submit yourselves therefore to God. Resist the devil, and he will flee from you. 8 Draw nigh to God, and he will draw nigh to you. Cleanse your hands, ye sinners; and purify your hearts, ye double minded. 9 Be afflicted, and mourn, and weep: let your laughter be turned to mourning, and your joy to heaviness. 10 Humble yourselves in the sight of the Lord, and he shall lift you up. 11 Speak not evil one of another, brethren. He that speaketh evil of his brother, and judgeth his brother, speaketh evil of the law, and judgeth the law: but if thou judge the law, thou art not a doer of the law, but a judge. 12 There is one lawgiver, who is able to save and to destroy: who art thou that judgest another?

(These verses refer to being repentant from sin and refraining from frivolous worldly laughter and joy such as laughter from comedy or ridiculing, and joy from winning something, personal accomplishments or receiving money or gifts, etc. not our joy of salvation through Christ)

Psalms 51: 8-12

- <sup>8</sup> Make me to hear joy and gladness; that the bones which thou hast broken may rejoice.
- <sup>9</sup> Hide thy face from my sins, and blot out all mine iniquities.
- <sup>10</sup> Create in me a clean heart, O God; and renew a right spirit within me.
- <sup>11</sup> Cast me not away from thy presence; and take not thy holy spirit from me.
- <sup>12</sup> Restore unto me the joy of thy salvation; and uphold me with thy free spirit.