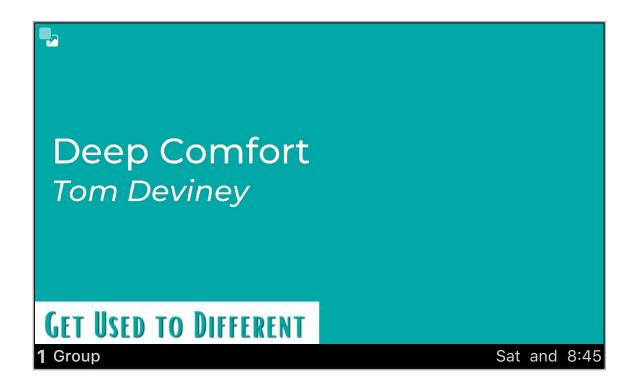
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"The people out there, they want to define us by our past, our sins."

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"Once you've met the Messiah, 'am' is all that matters."

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I was one way. And now I am completely different. And the thing that happened in between was Him.

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Matthew 5:4 New International Version "Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted."

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"Grief is the soul's recognition that the world isn't what God created it to be."

Blessed Are The Chosen p. 36

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Acceptance – exploring options, new plans, moving on

On Death and Dying Elisabeth Kulber-Ross, 1969

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Adonai El-Roi – "the God who sees me" Genesis 16:1-15

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Exodus 3:7 *NIV*The Lord said, "I have indeed seen the misery of my people in Egypt. I have heard them crying out because of their slave drivers, and I am concerned about their suffering.

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Isaiah 61:3 NIV

And provide for those who grieve in Zion - to bestow on them a crown of beauty instead of ashes, the oil of joy instead of mourning, and a garment of praise instead of a spirit of despair.

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They will be called oaks of righteousness, a planting of the Lord for the display of his splendor.

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Psalm 34:18 *NIV*The Lord is close to the brokenhearted and saves those who are crushed in spirit.

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2 Corinthians 1:3-7 *NIV*Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord
Jesus Christ, the Father of compassion and
the God of all comfort, who comforts us in all
our troubles, so that we can comfort those in
any trouble with the comfort we ourselves
receive from God.

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For just as we share abundantly in the sufferings of Christ, so also our comfort abounds through Christ. If we are distressed, it is for your comfort and salvation;

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if we are comforted, it is for your comfort, which produces in you patient endurance of the same sufferings we suffer. And our hope for you is firm, because we know that just as you share in our sufferings, so also you share in our comfort.

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Revelation 21:4 NIV

"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."

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In what ways have you experienced grief in your life? How have you responded?

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In light of the scriptures we've read, what can you know about God's favor toward those who grieve?

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Have you experienced God acting that way in your time of grief?

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Does knowing that Jesus experienced grief help you deal with your own grief?

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Do you really trust that he "will wipe away every tear from their eyes?"

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"Once you've met the Messiah, 'am' is all that matters."

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