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Jeremiah 31:16

"Thus says the LORD, "Do not weep any longer, for I will reward you..." Jeremiah 31:16

As there are tears of grief and sorrow, there are also tears of unbelief. Learn to discern quickly between the two. One kind of tears will fade and ultimately will break forth into relief – for "joy comes in the morning." But the other kind of tears, the tears of unbelief, like a quagmire, only pull you down deeper and deeper into the pit of despondency and despair.

For the Christian, all of life's tears will be turned to joy. Jesus has promised to reward us for every kindness, no matter how small, offered to others in His name. (Mark 9:41).

So, if your tears today are tears of sorrow, lift up your head, dry your eyes, for reward is on the way! If your tears are full of unbelief, stop your crying, repent of the wicked sin of unbelief (Hebrews 3:12), and once again begin to seek the Lord. God will take note of your tears but it is faith, not tears that move God. Get out of self-pity and get over on to the Word of God and your faith will begin to bring you out of the darkness of discouragements and sorrows and into the light of God's promises fulfilled!

"But without faith it is impossible to please God; for he that comes to God must believe that He is and that He is a rewarder of those who diligently seek Him." (Hebrews 11:6).

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