The Broken Hearted
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I. Introduction.
   B. The mission of Jesus is to the bankrupt, the broken-hearted, the bound, the blind and the bruised. (Romans 5:8-10)
   C. Being reconciled we are saved by the life of Jesus.

II. Christ is the only answer to bankrupt saints.
   A. We cannot succeed by our own efforts.
   B. Christ in you gives a person power to succeed.
   C. Jesus is the burden bearer. (Luke 4)

III. The answer to the broken-hearted is in Christ.
   A. Comfort. (2 Corinthians 1:3)
      1. Tribulation is one blow after another in one’s life.
      2. God comforts us in all of our tribulation that we may be able to comfort those who suffer.
   B. Grace. (1 Peter 5:10)
   C. Involvement. (Hebrews 2:10)
      1. God planned suffering in the life of Jesus to complete him in his humanity.
      2. Suffering is necessary for the completion of our humanity.
      3. Suffering is positive from God’s perspective.
      4. Suffering is intended to make us useful. (Mark 1)
      5. Christ completes us through suffering. (Hebrews 6:17)

IV. Conclusion. (Romans 15:13)
Application questions:

1. When have you experienced God’s comfort in a special way?

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2. Who has been an example for you in broken-heartedness? How have they responded well?

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3. How can suffering help the broken-hearted?

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