

**The Lord will swallow up death for ever.  
Then the Lord God will wipe away the tears from all faces,  
and the disgrace of his people he will take away from all the earth,  
for the LORD has spoken. Isaiah 25,8**

I hope you have not forgotten yesterday's message. The one big difference between the ecclesiastical preacher and the other books of the Bible is that Ecclesiastes has a fatalistic tone. Yes there will be birth, there will be death and everything else is vanity...Solomon brings in a kind of nothing-ever-changes- attitude. I can't read much of hope into that though it is a repository of commonsense and worldly wisdom.

But when we come to David's songs and the prophetic books the hope runs over. The eternal hope and the definite reward is inevitably in store for all His children washed by the Blood of the Lamb.

This morning I read this above verse and it struck me what a great and glorious incorruptible future we have.

Death will be defeated and all the tears of grief and mourning will be wiped away from our faces by our God Himself. We can read the same verses in Revelation, the Book that speaks of things which are yet to be "God will wipe away every tear from their eyes. (7,17) God himself will be with them; he will wipe every tear from their eyes.(21,4)

Yes in this world we will have tears coursing down our cheeks because of those closest to our hearts, but how reassuring it is to know that our Lord Himself will wipe our every tear.

Though it is hard for us now in the thick of grief to think about future comfort, it is nevertheless comforting to know we do not have to always live in grief and despair. Because He lives we also will live with Him eternally.

**HALLELUJAH! OUR REDEEMER LIVES!**

This is a song which I somehow chanced on you tube. Though I don't understand the words each time I hear it, something turns on the inside. God bless!

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=UZysDfygzE>