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Some Biblical examples of mourning (*pentheō*).

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And I heard another voice from heaven saying, “Come out of her, my people, lest you share in her sins, and lest you receive of her plagues. For her sins have reached to heaven, and God has remembered her iniquities. Render to her just as she rendered to you, and repay her double according to her works; in the cup which she has mixed, mix double for her.”

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Improper Mourning

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Amnon and Tamar

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After this Absalom the son of David had a lovely sister, whose name was Tamar; and Amnon the son of David loved her. Amnon was so distressed over his sister Tamar that he became sick; for she was a virgin. And it was improper for Amnon to do anything to her.

2 Samuel 13:1-2

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Then Joab came into the house to the king, and said,

“Today you have disgraced all your servants who today have saved your life, the lives of your sons and daughters, the lives of your wives and the lives of your concubines, in that you love your enemies and hate your friends.”

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“For you have declared today that you regard neither princes nor servants; for today I perceive that if Absalom had lived and all of us had died today, then it would have pleased you well.”

2 Samuel 19:5-6

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We know what proper and improper mourning looks like.

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But what is Godly sorrow or Godly mourning?

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Godly Mourning

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