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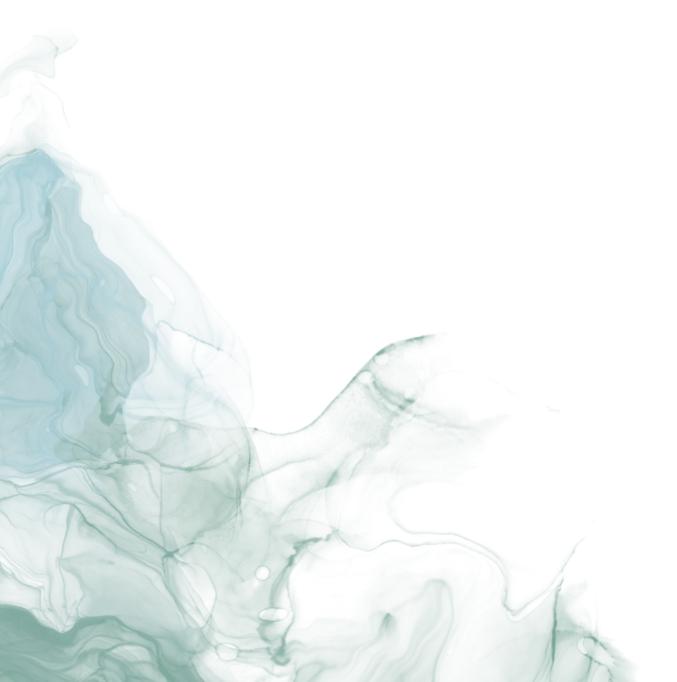


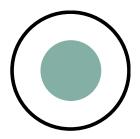
HOW IT IS FORMED AND WHY IT MATTERS

"What comes into our minds when we think about God is the most important thing about us."

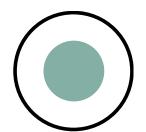
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Our view of God is influenced by...

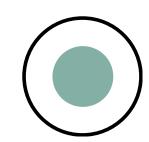




Our Environment



Our Education



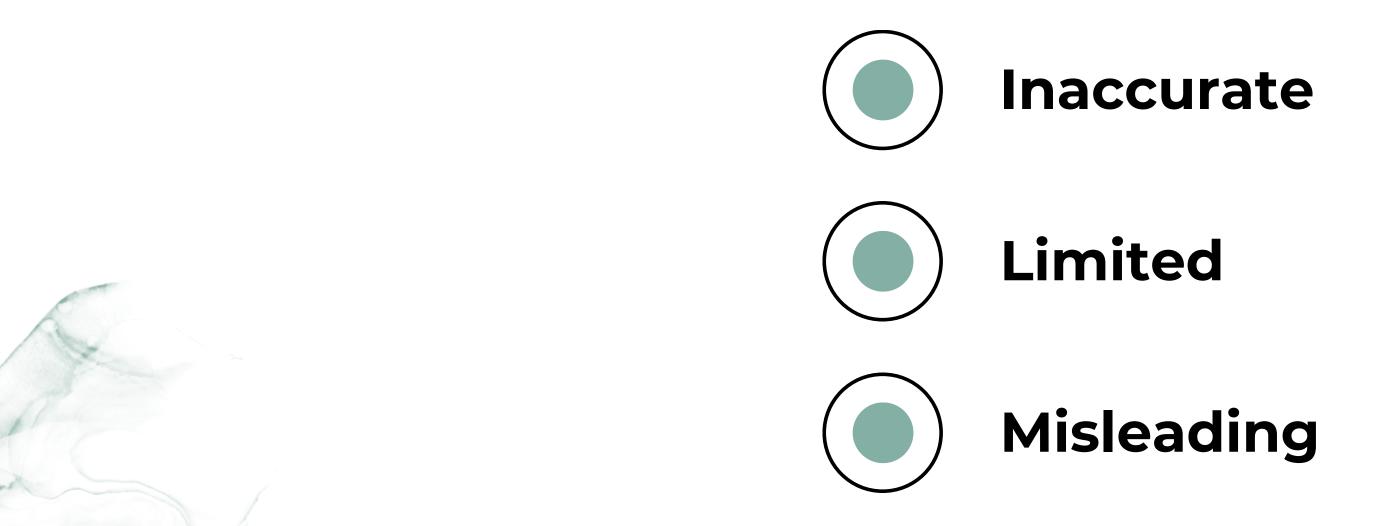
Our Experiences

Our Limitations

WHY WE SHOULDN'T TRUST OUR EXPERIENCE



A view rooted exclusively in personal experience can be...



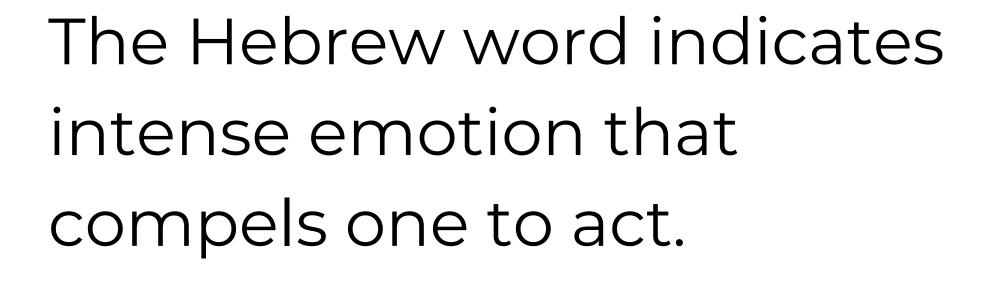




Exodus 34:5-6

The LORD passed in front of him and proclaimed: The LORD—the LORD is a compassionate and gracious God, slow to anger and abounding in faithful love and truth, maintaining faithful love to a thousand generations, forgiving iniquity, rebellion, and sin. But he will not leave the guilty unpunished, bringing the consequences of the fathers' iniquity on the children and grandchildren to the third and fourth generation.

Compassion



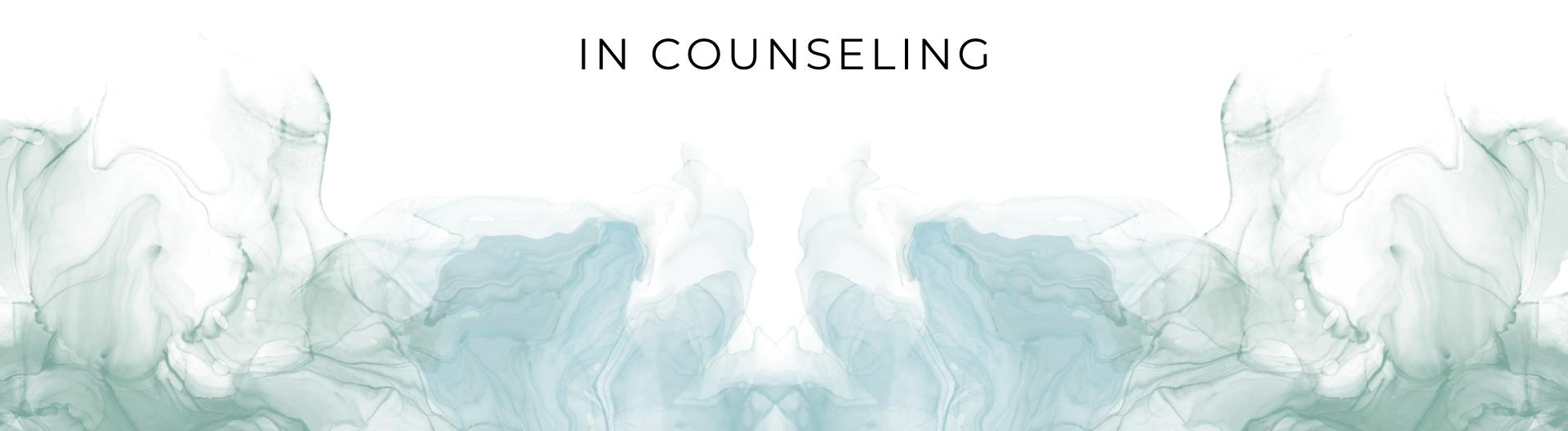


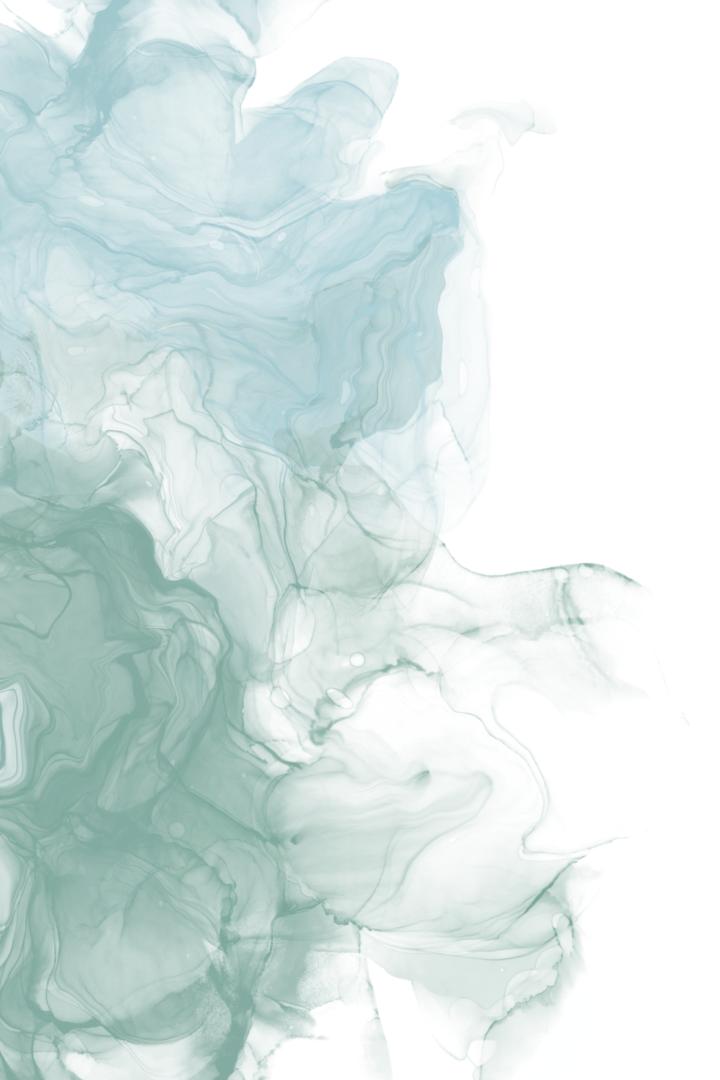
Compassion

The Hebrew word indicates intense emotion that compels one to act.

It is also closely linked to mercy, indicating a willingness to show favor rather than punishment, even when punishment is deserved.

The Charater of God





A Concern

The declaration of God's character may seem like a spiritual platitude to the suffering.



A Commitment

To allow the Scriptures to define and describe who God is and how He works.





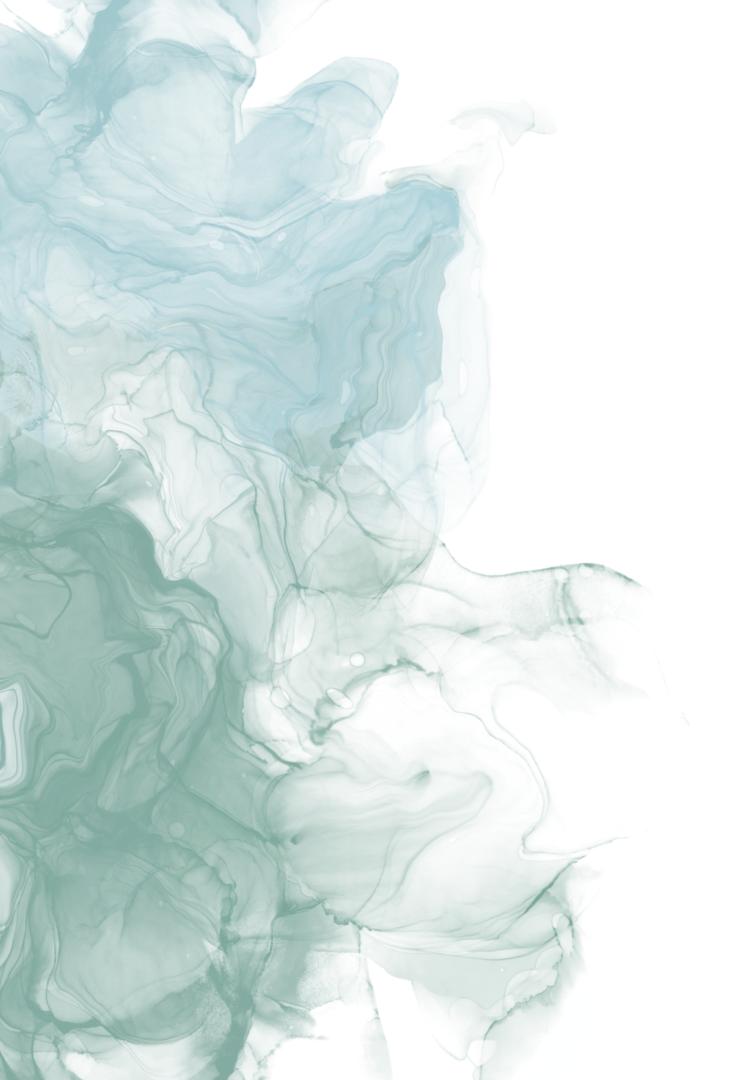


The Lord expresses His compassion by turning toward, hearing, and acting

Psalm 40:1-3

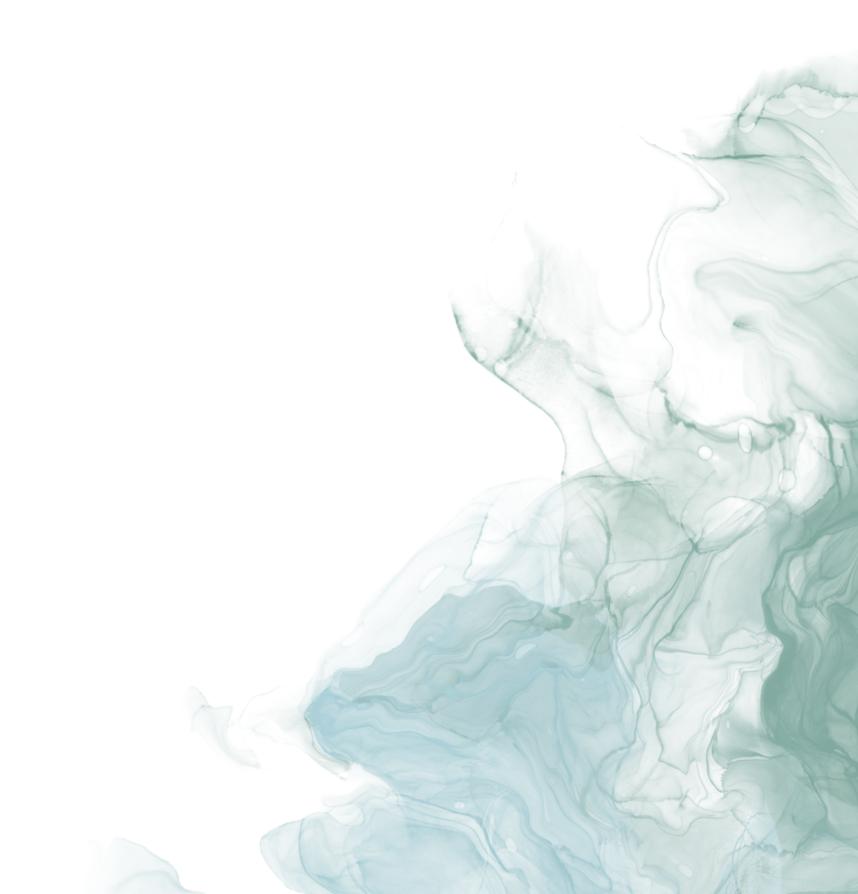






We experience His compassion as we trust, testify, and turn to Him in trouble

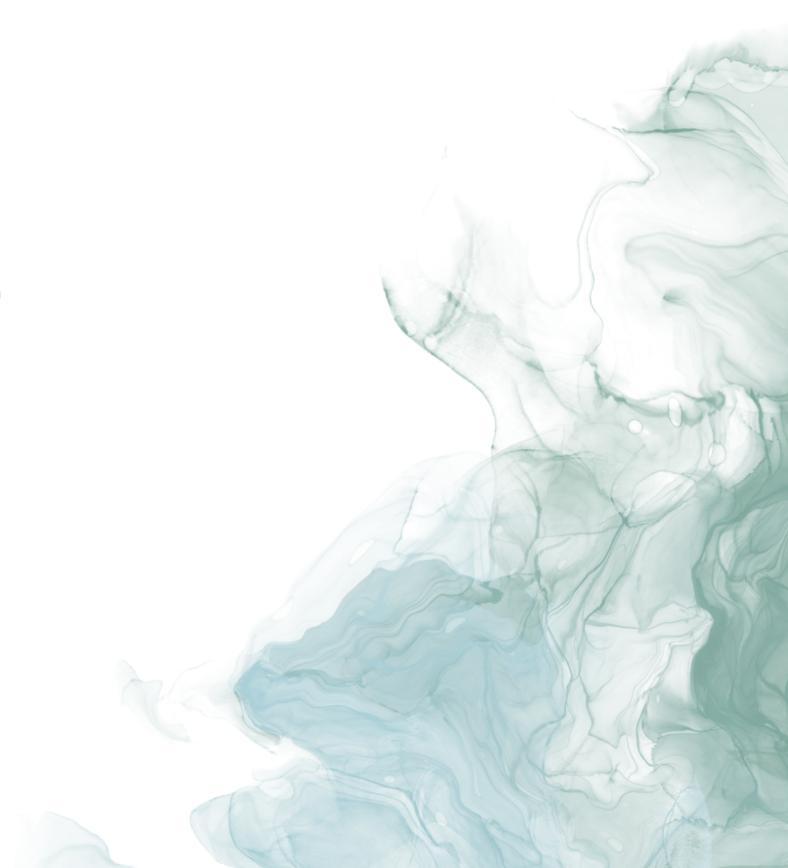
Psalm 40:4-5

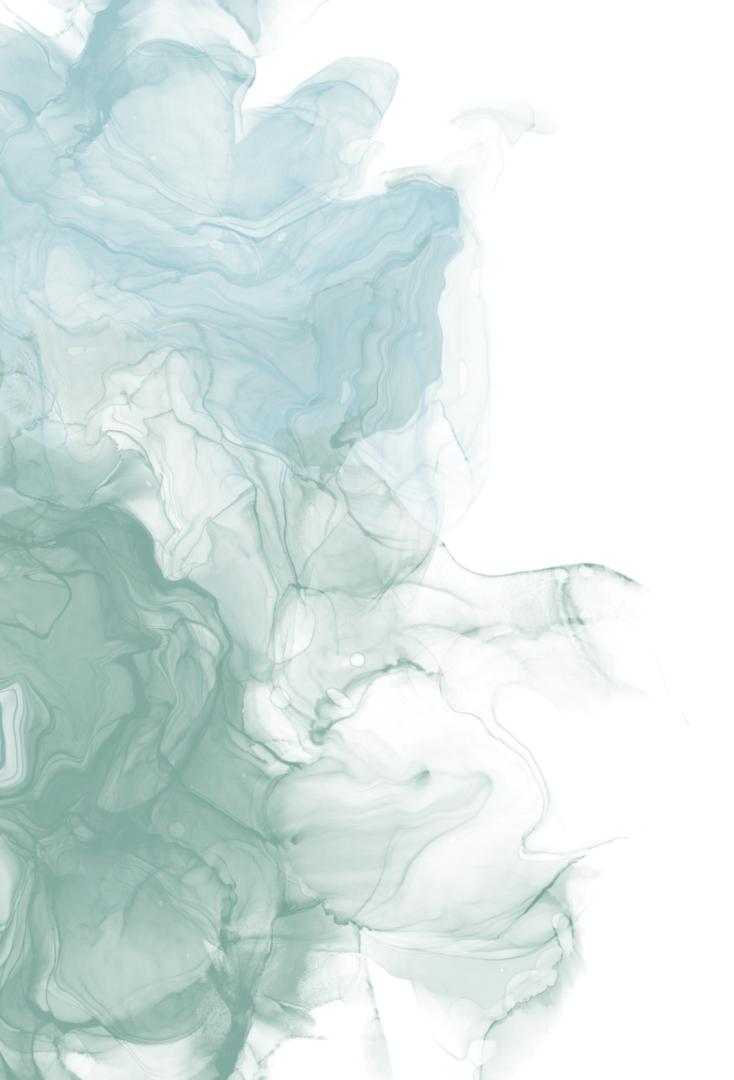


Psalm 40:9-10



Psalm 40:11-13; 16-17





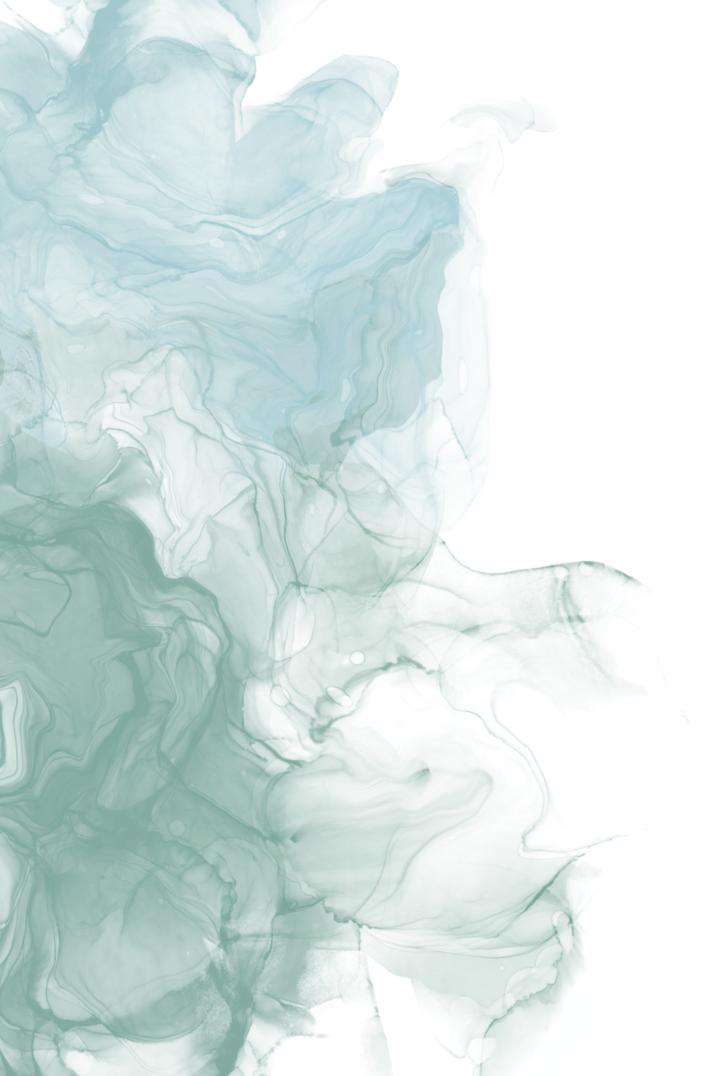
Final Thoughts...

Biblical counsel is not having all the answers or taking away the pain.



Final Thoughts...

Biblical counseling is offering comfort, wisdom, and hope to the broken and suffering for God's Word.



Final Thoughts...

It is placing the hand of the hurting in the hand of their Savior!

