

**GOSPEL PEARLS**

## **Jesus weeps over Jerusalem**

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As Jesus drew near Jerusalem,  
he saw the city and wept over it, saying,  
“If this day you only knew what makes for peace—  
but now it is hidden from your eyes.  
For the days are coming upon you  
when your enemies will raise a palisade against you;  
they will encircle you and hem you in on all sides.  
They will smash you to the ground and your children within you,  
and they will not leave one stone upon another within you  
because you did not recognize the time of your visitation.”  
(Lk 19:41-44)