

The Blessed Man

Psalm 1

Blessed is the man who walks not in the council of the ungodly, nor stands in the path of sinners, nor sits in the seat of the scornful,

But his delight is in the law of the Lord, and in His law he meditates day and night, he shall be like a tree planted by rivers of water that brings forth its fruit in its season, whose leaf also shall not wither, and whatever he does shall prosper.

A blessed man walks. Walk is an action word; it is neither hasty like run, nor lazy but is continual at a pace that finishes the goal. You are blessed if you walk, but how you walk matters.

(Micah 6:8)

He has shown you O' man what is good and what does the Lord require of you? But to do justly, to love mercy, and to walk humbly with your God.

It is important to be humble with God this gives a heart he can constantly mold into what he desires us to be.

(2 Corinthians 5:7)

For we walk by Faith and not by sight.

(Habakkuk 2:4)

But the just shall live by his faith

In order to please God we need to walk by faith because without faith it is impossible to please God. Faith put the full trust in God and let's God get the glory, because it is trusting in His Word that accomplishes what His Word promises no matter what we see now, we believe it will happen when we persist in faith.

(Hebrews 11:6)

But without faith it is impossible to please Him, for he who comes to God must believe that He is, and that He is a rewarder of those who diligently seek Him.

How can we get this faith?

(Romans 10:17)

So then faith comes by hearing and hearing by the Word of God.

This hearing is a voice God uses to speak to you. It is a revelation He gives you to keep you motivated in your walk with Him. It can be from another person speaking to you, or just your spirit agreeing with God inside you. When you go, "wow that's what that scripture means", or when God gives you a promise or dream to achieve His purpose in your life. Whatever the way God speaks to you test it, God will never say anything contrary to His word. If it disagrees with anything His word says, it wasn't God speaking.

This is why it is important to stay in the word, to develop faith, and to learn to recognize God's voice from the enemy or our own thoughts.

The blessed man does not follow what the ungodly say or their advice.

This again goes to knowing God's word to understand how to distinguish the ungodly voice. Any voice against God's Word.

The blessed man does not stand (stay firmly planted) in the path (way) of sinners.

The ways of sinners is the lifestyle God warns about people with a debased mind who is always destroying their lives and leading to death. Notice again the path of sinners is to stand, not walk; it is a way that leads to no life, no prosperity, and a dead end.

The blessed man does not sit (rest in, relax comfortably in) in the seat of scornful (always angry, bitter, pointing out wrongs, negative, dwells on bad things)

Again not walking, to sit means he gets comfortable in this frame of mind this is why it's important to watch what you put in front of your eyes and what you hear. Our mind is easy to contaminate with ungodly thinking which will lead to death thinking.

"But his delight (happiness, joy, what is found pleasurable) is in the Law of the Lord (God's Word, Jesus) In (God's Word) he meditates (reads, thinks, questions, prays, practice, speaks about) day and night (from waking up to going to sleep)

Talk about God in your goings and your coming, when you get up and sit down. (Constantly)

God knows we get discouraged easily and that we live in a messed up world. We need to constantly be reminded of Him and His truth to keep us encouraged so we reach the goal. (Eternal Rest in Him) If we meditate day and night on His Word we constantly keep it in our

mind, in what controls our actions, our thoughts and wicked thoughts or wrong thinking will have no room in our minds.

We need to weigh every thought against God's Word until it becomes natural; this is how we take every thought captive unto Christ. We need to say is this true, noble, a good report, is this what God wants? Doing this can avoid a lot of trouble in our lives.

When it looks tough this is when faith is important, we need to hold onto what God promises write it in our heart put it in front of your faith every day a scripture to remind you what God say about your problem and when it looks bad speak to your problem. "If you have faith as a mustard seed, you can say to this mountain move from here to there and it will move and nothing shall be impossible to you." (**Matthew 17:20**) Faith is the key in our walk but it's Who we have faith in makes our faith powerful.

The blessed man shall be like a tree planted by rivers of water, that brings forth it fruit in its season, whose leaf also shall not wither.

Rivers of water is the Word of God. Jesus washed His disciples' feet (John 13) when He goes to wash Peter, Peter says no. Peter saw Jesus as a master not a servant. But Jesus replied "If I do not wash you, you have no part in Me." (**John 13:8**) Peter then wanted Jesus to wash everything. Jesus then said he is bathed already. We are bathed in the blood of Jesus by faith. We accepted Him as the sacrificial lamb that paid for our sins past, present and future. Now we need to wash our feet. Our spiritual walk with him.

Staying in the Word keeps us continually cleansed. The root of a tree is feed and cleans by rivers of water. It must be in good soil though; this is the condition of our heart. Is our heart open to God cleansing, can he remove the worries and riches of the world, can he dig deep and touch sensitive areas to make you a better person. God is not rude, he is patient, kind, gentle, long suffering, he has self control, and He loves you and will work with you through the hard times. You are never alone with God and if you feel like you are, call a friend who knows Him, and they can encourage you as well. That is what Christians are for to help each other reach the end of the great race.

This is the fruit that comes forth in due season, when you have something to help you fellow brother or sister in Christ get through a dark time, they ate your fruit of the spirit and it made them stronger, and in turn on day you may need their fruit.

Whose leaf shall not wither. A withering leaf is a sign the tree is dying. Death is not ours when we accept Christ. Spiritual death that is. This comes by staying in His word, "If you abide in Me, and My words abide in you, you will ask what you desire, and it shall be done for you." (**John 15:7**)

And whatever he does shall prosper.

If you are in God's word daily washing yourself with a willing heart your desires change to mirror God's. You want what He wants and whatever you do then will be blessed because your mind and heart will be in agreement with Him. Walk with His Word (Jesus) and prosper daily.

God bless you all and remember He loves to hear you thank Him and worship Him, just like a parent wants their child to spend time with them not because they want the toy, but because they love their parent. God is the same way, He is our Father.