

The Blessed Man

“Blessed is the man who does not walk in the counsel of the wicked or stand in the way of sinners or sit in the seat of mockers. But his delight is in the law of the LORD and on His law he meditates day and night. He is like a tree planted by streams of water, which yields its fruit in season and whose leaf does not wither. Whatever he does prospers. Not so the wicked! They are like chaff that the wind blows away. Therefore the wicked will not stand in the judgment, nor sinners in the assembly of the righteous. For the LORD watches over the way of the righteous, but the way of the wicked will perish.” (Psalm 1:1-6)

As you enter any garden you will look and see and you will find two main kinds of plants; the trees and the chaffs. Both are plants but are of different entities. In the same way the two different pictures of the fruitful tree and the worthless chaff express the contrast between the righteous and the wicked. The word of God it teaches us how a man can be fruitful like a good tree. Blessed is the man who have the following characters:-

A) Who does not walk in the counsel of the wicked: People live according to the principles they believe in. Some of these principles are godly and will bring a Godly council on the surface; but others who live on evil principles will bring a wicked council on the surface. It is the man decision to chose to walk in one of these ways. The righteous man is the blessed man who refuses to walk in the council of the wicked, which mean he will not follow the principles that the wicked would follow in their lives.

As Followers and disciples of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ He addressed us with these word, ***“You are the light of the world. A city on a hill cannot be hidden. Neither do people light a lamp and put it under a bowl. Instead they put it on its stand, and it gives light to everyone in the house. In the same way, let your light shine before men, that they may see your good deeds and praise your Father in heaven.” (Mathew 5:14-16)*** In following Godly principles ultimately the name of the Lord would be lifted up and glorified and the people would see God in our lives because we are following the Godly principles and the council of God the Father in our lives.

B) Who does not stand in the way of sinners: The word stand is what you stand for or what you believe in. The blessed man will not agree with what sinners believe; he is not grounded with their corrupted lives, but he will stand with Jesus and His word.

C) Who does not sit in the seat of mockers: The Blessed man will not have a fellowship with those who does not believe in God or who mock Jesus and what He has done on the cross when He shed His blood for the forgiveness of our sins and rose again on the third day to give eternal life to those who believe in Him. The word of God it tells us, ***“Do not be misled: “Bad company corrupts good character.” (1 Corinthians 15:33)*** The blessed man will not be yoked and in intimate fellowship with unbelievers because he knows that they will corrupt and ruin his good characters.

But His delight is in the law of the Lord and on His law he meditates day and night. The blessed man is the one who continuously read his Bible and meditates on the Word of God. He analyze what he read, digest it, and absorb Godly values from the word of God that sustain him and transform him by renewing of his mind. ***“To be made new in the attitude of your minds; and to put on the new self, created to be like God in true righteousness and holiness.” (Ephesians 4:23-24)*** ***“And have put on the new self, which is being renewed in knowledge in the image of its Creator.” (Colossians 3:10)***

“He is like a tree planted by streams of water, which yields its fruit in season and who leaf does not wither. Whatever he does prospers.” The man who follow the above principles he will be fruitful and productive man, ever green and prosperous like a tree planted by the water. The Lord Jesus Christ is the living water and those who are planted in Him and in His word, streams of living water will flow from within them. The water that Jesus gives is different from the physical water that we know as He said, ***“Everyone who drinks this water will be thirsty again. But whoever drinks the water I give him will never thirst. Indeed the water I give him will become in him a spring of water welling up to eternal life.” (John 4: 13)*** The person who is planted by the stream of water, the Lord Jesus Christ, he has eternal life. He is a fruitful person; every now and then you found there is a new achievement and progress in his life. Always he is fresh, positive, a person who has hope and trust in the Lord, and for this reason whatever he does prosper because he had committed his life and all what he does to the Lord and from the Lord he is receiving prosperity.

To the contrast of the green tree that is planted beside the living water, which is firm and stable, is the chaff which are of no long term, it will quickly perish; sooner or later the wicked will be blown away. Their destiny is destruction, and they cannot stand before God, since they have no faith in the Lord Jesus Christ and they don’t follow His word. Therefore in front of God’s judgment they are condemned; their evil deeds condemn them and they will not have the reward and the eternal destiny of the righteous.

My dear and beloved: Every one of us he wants to be a blessed man and he wants to live a prosperous life. But this will come only by living according to God’s word and His ways; away from the paths of wicked, for the Lord watches over the way of the righteous but the way of the wicked will perish.

My prayer: *Father God I come before you in the name of Jesus who died on the cross for my sins and rose from the dead to give me eternal life. Lord, take hold of my right hand and lead me in the way of righteousness in obedience to your word. I want to be a blessed man, planted by your Word and whatever I do will prosper. This is my prayer in Jesus name, Amen.*