

THE WAY OF THE BLESSED

AND

THE WAY OF THE WICKED

1 Blessed is the man
who walks not in the counsel of the wicked,
nor stands in the way of sinners,
nor sits in the seat of scoffers;
2 but his delight is in the Law of the Lord,
and in His Law he meditates day and night.

3 He is like a tree
planted by streams of water
that yields its fruit in its season,
and its leaf does not wither.
In all that he does, he prospers.

4 The wicked are not so,
but are like the chaff that the wind drives away

5 Therefore the wicked will not stand in the judgment,
nor sinners in the congregation of the righteous,

6 for the Lord knows the way of the righteous,
but the way of the wicked will perish.

3 KEY THEMES

1. WHAT THE BLESSED MAN DOES NOT DO

2. WHAT THE BLESSED MAN DELIGHTS IN DOING

3. THE FATE OF BEING A BLESSED MAN

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THE FATE OF BEING A WICKED MAN

1 **BLESSED** is the **MAN**

who **WALKS** not in the **COUNSEL** of the **WICKED**,

nor **STANDS** in the **WAY** of **SINNERS**,

nor **SITS** in the **SEAT** of **SCOFFERS**

“It is not the Blessed king, blessed is the scholar, blessed is the rich,
but, blessed is the man. This blessedness is **as attainable** by the
poor, the forgotten and the obscure, as by those whose names figure
in history, and are trumpeted by fame.”

Charles Spurgeon

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“Enter by the narrow gate. For the gate is wide and the way is easy that leads to destruction, and those who enter by it are many. For the gate is narrow and the way is hard that leads to life, and those who find it are few.”

Matthew 7:13

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“Be out and out for Him; unfurl your colors, never hide them, but nail them to the mast, and say to all who ridicule the saints, “If you have any ill words for the followers of Christ, pour them out upon me....but know this...ye shall hear it whether you like it or not...”I love Christ”

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“I could not live in paradise without the word of God,
but
I could live well enough in hell with it.”

Martin Luther

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“This Book of the Law shall not depart from your mouth, but you shall meditate on it **day** and **night**, so that you may be careful to do according to all that is written in it. For then you will make your way prosperous, and then you will have good success.” Joshua 1:8

3 He is like a **TREE**

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and its **LEAF DOES NOT WITHER.**
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“I am the vine, you are the branches,
Whoever abides in me and I in him, he will
bear much fruit, for apart from me you can
do nothing”

John 15:5

The Fate of the Blessed

- 1. They are nourished by God's Word**
- 2. They yield fruit in its season**
- 3. They do not wither**
- 4. They prosper in all they DO**

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The Fate of the Wicked

Because the Wicked are like chaff:

1. They will not stand in the judgement
2. They will be eternally separated from
God and the righteous

“Let both grow together until the harvest, and at harvest time I will tell the reaper, “Gather the weeds first and bind them in bundles to be burned, but gather the wheat into my barn”

Matthew 13:30

6 *For the Lord **KNOWS** the way of the righteous*

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