

LIKE A TREE - Pt. 5

Psalms 1:1-3 (Should Already Have in Slides)

- ¹ Blessed *is* the man
Who walks not in the counsel of the ungodly,
Nor stands in the path of sinners,
Nor sits in the seat of the scornful;
- ² But his delight *is* in the law of the Lord,
And in His law he meditates day and night.
- ³ He shall be like a tree
Planted by the rivers of water,
That brings forth its fruit in its season,
Whose leaf also shall not wither;
And whatever he does shall prosper.

Jer. 17:5 (Should Already Have in Slides)

- ⁵ Thus says the Lord:
“Cursed *is* the man who trusts in man
And makes flesh his strength,
Whose heart departs from the Lord.
- ⁶ For he shall be like a shrub in the desert,
And shall not see when good comes,
But shall inhabit the parched places in the wilderness,
In a salt land which is not inhabited.
- ⁷ “Blessed *is* the man who trusts in the Lord,
And whose hope is the Lord.
- ⁸ For he shall be like a tree planted by the waters,
Which spreads out its roots by the river,
And will not fear when heat comes;
But its leaf will be green,
And will not be anxious in the year of drought,
Nor will cease from yielding fruit.

3 Different Ways We Produce Fruit

1. Produce the FRUIT of the SEEDS we SOW (Plants)

Gal. 6:7

⁷⁻⁸ Don't be misled: No one makes a fool of God. What a person plants, he will harvest. The person who plants selfishness, ignoring the needs of others—ignoring God!—harvests a crop of weeds. All he'll have to show for his life is weeds!

But the one who plants in response to God, letting God's Spirit do the growth work in him, harvests a crop of real life, eternal life.

Gen. 1:11

Then God said, "Let the earth bring forth grass, the herb that yields seed, and the fruit tree that yields fruit according to its kind, whose seed is in itself, on the earth"; and it was so.

12 And the earth brought forth grass, the herb that yields seed according to its kind, and the tree that yields fruit, whose seed is in itself according to its kind.

Prov. 4:20 (NKJ)

²⁰ My son, give attention to my **words**;
Incline your ear to my **sayings**.
²¹ Do not let them depart from your **eyes**;
Keep them in the midst of your **heart**;
²² For they *are* life to those who find them,
And health to all their flesh.

²³ ***Keep your heart with all diligence,
For out of it spring the issues of life.***

Prov. 4:20 (TPT)

²⁰ Listen carefully, my dear child, to everything that I teach you,
and pay attention to all that I have to say.
²¹ Fill your thoughts with my words
until they penetrate deep into your spirit.
²² Then, as you unwrap my words,
they will impart true life and radiant health
into the very core of your being.
²³ So above all, guard the affections of your heart,
for they affect all that you are.
Pay attention to the welfare of your innermost being,
for from there flows the wellspring of life.

Prov. 11:30

³⁰ The fruit of the righteous *is* a tree of life,
And he who wins souls *is* wise.

Matt 7:16

¹⁶ You will know them by their fruits. Do men gather grapes from thornbushes or figs from thistles? ¹⁷ Even so, every good tree bears good fruit, but a bad tree bears bad fruit. ¹⁸ A good tree cannot bear bad fruit, nor *can* a bad tree bear good fruit. ¹⁹ Every tree that does not bear good fruit is cut down and thrown into the fire. ²⁰ Therefore by their fruits you will know them.

2. Produce the FRUIT of the WORDS we SAY

Prov. 12:12

- ¹² The ungodly desire the catch of evil *men*,
But the root of the righteous yields *fruit*.
- ¹³ The ungodly and twisted man is ensnared by the transgression of *his* lips,
But the righteous will come through trouble.
- ¹⁴ A man will be satisfied with good by the fruit of *his* mouth,

Prov. 18:20

- ²⁰ A man's stomach shall be satisfied from the fruit of his mouth;
From the produce of his lips he shall be filled.
- ²¹ Death and life *are* in the power of the tongue,
And those who love it will eat its fruit.

Prov. 12:18

- ¹⁸ There is one who speaks like the piercings of a sword,
But the tongue of the wise *promotes* health.
- ¹⁹ The truthful lip shall be established forever,
But a lying tongue *is* but for a moment.

Eph. 4:29

⁹ Let no corrupt word proceed out of your mouth, but what is good for necessary edification, that it may impart grace to the hearers. ³⁰ And do not grieve the Holy Spirit of God, by whom you were sealed for the day of redemption. ³¹ Let all bitterness, wrath, anger, clamor, and evil speaking be put away from you, with all malice. ³² And be kind to one another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, even as God in Christ forgave you.

Eph. 4:29 (message)

²⁹ Watch the way you talk. Let nothing foul or dirty come out of your mouth. Say only what helps, each word is gift.

³⁰ Don't grieve God. Don't break his heart. His Holy Spirit, moving and breathing in you, is the most intimate part of your life, making you fit for himself. Don't take such a gift for granted.

³¹⁻³² Make a clean break with all cutting, backbiting, saying bad or negative things about one another, and profane talk. Be gentle with one another, sensitive. Forgive one another as quickly and thoroughly as God in Christ forgave you.

Prov. 18:21

²¹ Death and life *are* in the power of the tongue,
And those who love it will eat its fruit.

3. 3.We Produce the FRUIT of the ONE we SEEK

JOHN 15:1

“I am the true vine, and My Father is the vinedresser. ² Every branch in Me that does not bear fruit He takes away; and every *branch* that bears fruit He prunes, that it may bear more fruit. ³

You are already clean because of the word which I have spoken to you. ⁴

Abide in Me, and I in you. As the branch cannot bear fruit of itself, unless it abides in the vine, neither can you, unless you abide in Me.

⁵ “I am the vine, you *are* the branches. **He who abides in Me, and I in him, bears much fruit; for without Me you can do nothing.**

⁶ If anyone does not abide in Me, **he is cast out as a branch and is withered;** and they gather them and throw *them* into the fire, and they are burned. ⁷ If you abide in Me, and My words abide in you, you will ask what you desire, and it shall be done for you. ⁸ By this My Father is glorified, **that you bear much fruit;** so you will be My disciples.

**** You Can't Bear Fruit on Your OWN !