

Walking in the Blessing of God

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Is a blessed life synonymous with a successful life?

Ephesians 1:3, Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us in the heavenly realms with every spiritual blessing in Christ.

אַש־רֵי, מְקַרְיִים, ash-rei, makarioi, eulogētos, - blessed, happiness, singularly favored, fully satisfied regardless of the circumstances.

“Blessing is anything God gives that makes us fully satisfied in Him, anything that draws us closer to Jesus.”

How to Walk in the Blessing of God

Psalm 1

¹ Blessed is the one who does not walk in step with the wicked or stand in the way that sinners take or sit in the company of mockers, ² but whose delight is in the law of the Lord, and who meditates on his law day and night. ³ That person is like a tree planted by streams of water, which yields its fruit in season and whose leaf does not wither— whatever they do prospers.

⁴ Not so the wicked! They are like chaff that the wind blows away.

⁵ Therefore the wicked will not stand in the judgment, nor sinners in the assembly of the righteous. ⁶ For the Lord watches over the way of the righteous, but the way of the wicked leads to destruction.

1. Be Careful Where you Look for _____

¹ God's blessings follow you *and await you at every turn*: when you don't follow the advice of those who delight in wicked schemes, When you avoid sin's highway, when judgment and sarcasm beckon you, but you refuse. Psalm 1:1 Voice

2. _____ God's Word

² *For you, the Eternal's Word is your happiness. It is your focus— from dusk to dawn.* Psalm 1:2 Voice

3. Be a _____ to Others

³ You are like a tree, planted by *flowing, cool* streams of water *that never run dry*. Your fruit ripens in its time; your leaves never fade or curl *in the summer sun*. No matter what you do, you prosper. Psalm 1:3 Voice

“I will make you into a great nation, and I will bless you; I will make your name great, and you will be a blessing. ³ I will bless those who bless you, and whoever curses you I will curse; and all peoples on earth will be blessed through you. Genesis 12:1-3

4. Your _____: The Path of Blessing or the Path of Destruction.

⁴ *For those who focus on sin, the story is different. They are like the fallen husk of wheat, tossed by an open wind, left deserted and alone. ⁵ In the end, the wicked will fall in judgment; the guilty will be separated from the innocent. ⁶ Their road suddenly will end in death, yet the journey of the righteous has been charted by the Eternal.* Psalm 1:4-6 Voice

There is a path before each person that seems right, but it ends in death. Proverbs 14:12 NLV

God's greatest blessing always rests in God himself. When we have Him, we are truly #blessed.