

Living Evergreen

South County Church. April 3, 2022

Psalm 1 ESV - 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; 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 that yields its fruit in its season, and its leaf does not wither. In all that he does, he prospers. The wicked are not so, but are like chaff that the wind drives away. Therefore the wicked will not stand in the judgment, nor sinners in the congregation of the righteous; for the LORD knows the way of the righteous, but the way of the wicked will perish.

Thrive: “Healthy and growing in all areas”

“We all want progress. But progress means getting nearer to the place where you want to be. And if you have taken a wrong turn, then to go forward does not get you any nearer. If you are on the wrong road, progress means doing an about-turn and walking back to the right road; and in that case the man who turns back soonest is the most progressive man.” - C.S Lewis, *Mere Christianity*, p.28

Does your life look more like the tree, or the chaff?

Matthew 7:21-23 (NLT) - “Not everyone who calls out to me, ‘Lord! Lord!’ will enter the Kingdom of Heaven. Only those who actually do the will of my Father in heaven will enter. On judgment day many will say to me, ‘Lord! Lord! We prophesied in your name and cast out demons in your name and performed many miracles in your name.’ But I will reply, ‘I never knew you. Get away from me, you who break God’s laws”

Luke 10:41-42 (NIV) - “Martha, Martha,” Jesus answered, “you are worried and upset about many things, but one thing is necessary—indeed only one. Mary has chosen what is good, and it will not be taken away from her.”

Matthew 6:33 - “But seek first the Kingdom of God and his righteousness, and all these things will be added to you.”