



WEDNESDAY EVENING

AT BETHANY BAPTIST CHURCH

Title: Which Way Are You Walking?

Passage: Psalm 1

Speaker: Pastor Dan Preston

Introduction: Psalm 1 begins the book of Psalms by reminding us that every life is headed somewhere. Before God teaches us how to worship, pray, and trust Him through every season, He challenges us to examine the direction we are walking. As we begin Songs for the Journey, Psalm 1 places two paths before us: the way of the righteous and the way of the wicked. The question is simple: Which way are you walking?

I. Choose Your Path (Verses 1-2)

Sin is never content to remain on the outside. What begins as listening eventually becomes lingering, and what begins as lingering eventually becomes belonging.

While the world is constantly shouting its opinions, God quietly speaks through His Word.

The blessed man doesn't open his Bible simply because he knows he ought to. He opens it because he has discovered that this is where he hears the voice of his Heavenly Father.

The voice you consistently listen to will determine the path you choose, and the path you choose will determine the destination you reach.



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II. Consider Your Fruit (Verses 3-4)

While everyone else sees the fruit, God sees the roots. Before anyone notices the life we are living, God knows the source from which we are drawing our strength.

The secret of the blessed life has never been trying harder. It has always been staying connected to the One who is our source of life.

Our fruit may not come as quickly as we'd like, and it may not always look the way we expected, but God never fails to produce fruit in the life that remains rooted in Him.

III. Remember Your Destination (Verses 5-6)

The ungodly are like chaff because they have no roots. They have no stability because they have rejected the God who alone gives life.

There has never been a moment when God's people have been forgotten. The Shepherd never loses sight of His sheep.

Everything they have built apart from God will ultimately come to nothing. The path that once seemed so attractive eventually reaches a dead end.

Conclusion: The question is not simply how much we know, but which way are we walking? God shows us that the blessed life is found in delighting in His Word and walking with Him each day. As we journey through the Psalms, may we not simply gain more knowledge, but grow closer to Christ and allow His Word to shape our hearts and our lives.