

## **SUMMER IN THE PSALMS**

### **THE PATH TO THE BLESSED LIFE**

**The Book of Psalms is unlike any other book in the Bible.**

- **It's written by several authors.**
- **There are different types of Psalms.**
- **The Psalms are actually a collection of songs and poetry.**

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#### **1. WE ARE BLESSED WHEN WE MAKE GOD OUR LORD.**

**Psalm 33:12 (NIV)** Blessed is the nation whose God is the LORD, the people he chose for his inheritance.

**Blessed: happy, prosperous, enlarged, having divine favor; empowered to prosper and succeed (in every area of life)**

**Psalm 144:15 (NIV)** Blessed **is the people** whose God is the LORD.

**Luke 6:46–49 (NLT)** <sup>46</sup>“So why do you keep calling me ‘Lord, Lord!’ when you don’t do what I say? <sup>47</sup>I will show you what it’s like when someone comes to me, listens to my teaching, and then follows it. <sup>48</sup>It is like a person building a house who digs deep and lays the foundation on solid rock. When the floodwaters rise and break against that house, it stands firm because it is well built. <sup>49</sup>But anyone who hears and doesn’t obey is like a person who builds a house right on the ground, without a foundation. When the floods sweep down against that house, it will collapse into a heap of ruins.”

#### **2. THERE'S ONLY ONE PATH TO THE BLESSED LIFE.**

**Psalm 1:1–3 (NASB)** 1 How blessed is the man who does not walk in the counsel of the wicked, nor stand in the path of sinners, nor sit 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 will be like a tree *firmly* planted by streams of water, which yields its fruit in its season and its leaf does not wither; and in **whatever he does, he prospers.**

**Psalm 1:4–6 (NLT)** <sup>4</sup>But not the wicked! They are like worthless chaff, scattered by the wind. <sup>5</sup>They will be condemned at the time of judgment. Sinners will have no place among the godly. <sup>6</sup>For the LORD watches over the path of the godly, but the path of the wicked leads to destruction.

**Matthew 7:13–14 (NIV)** <sup>13</sup>“Enter through the narrow gate. For wide is the gate and broad is the road that leads to destruction, and many enter through it. <sup>14</sup>But small is the gate and narrow the road that leads to life, and only a few find it.”

**Psalm 119:24 (NIV)** Your statutes are my delight; they are my counselors.

**Psalm 119:128 (ESV)** Therefore, I consider all your precepts to be right; I hate every false way.

**“The Person of Jesus creates your peace. His principles create your prosperity.” - Mike Murdock**

**Meditate: to ponder; to mutter**