

Pastor Karl Payne, Psalm 15
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Intro:

Psalm 15:1-5

1 *The Question:* **vs 1** (*integrity means solid, whole/wholesome/complete*)
+ Integrity—Who we are when someone is watching or no one is watching. **Prov.20:7**
+ Righteous—What we do when someone is watching or no one is watching. **1 Pet.1:13-16.**

2 *The Answer:* **vs 2-5a** (*Heart-Tongue-Deeds*)
+ Speaks truth from the inside out. Our mouth reveals what's in our heart. **Mk.7:21-23.**
- Does not slander--(Backbiter/Talebearer) Does our speech heal/hurt? **Prov.26:20; Jms.3:3-10.**
- Does no evil to a neighbor—Do our actions heal/ hurt? **Lev.19:18; Prov.26:19; Mt.22:38-40.**
- Does not participate in hearsay actions/speech against a friend—**Dt.19:15; Prov.17:9b, 17a**
+ Despises a reprobate—(*reprobate habitually promotes sin*): **Prov.14:7; 26:4; 1 Cor.15:33.**
+ Treat fellow Christians with honor, respect and preference—**Acts 2:41-47; Gal.6:10**
+ His word is his bond that you can take to the bank—**Matt.5:33-37**
- He does not profit from a fellow Christian's true need—**Lev.25:35-38; Acts 4:32-35**
- He rejects a bribe—(*money/favor used to corrupt conduct*)—**Ex.23:8; Prov.15:27; 2 Cor.2:17**

3 *The Promise:* **vs 5b** (*Never shaken*)-Christian living does not have to be a roller coaster ride; we win because He has won: **Matt.7:24-7; Eph.1:18-23.**

Note if there is time: The symmetry between God and who He is, Christians and who they are supposed to be, and the Judgment that is promised to come at the Bema Seat of Jesus Christ.

True of God

God: Blameless in His integrity	Righteous in He actions	Truthful in His Speech
1 John 1:5	Ezra 9:15	1 Sam.15:29

True of those in consistent Fellowship with God

Christians: Walk with integrity	Produce good works	Speak the truth
Psalm 15:2a	Psalm15:2b	Psalm 15:3a

The basis of the Bema Seat judgment all Christian will face before Jesus Christ.

At the Bema: Our Motives	Our Works	Our Speech
1 Cor.4:4-5	2 Cor.5:10	Matt.12:36-37