

STEWARDS OF THE GOSPEL, MORE SONGS FROM THE HEART, TRUTH ON TRIAL

O.T. Study - More Songs From The Heart - *A Prescription for Blessings* - July 1,, 2018

Text: Psalm 1

Intro: The psalms represent a wide variety of human experience and emotion. They describe suffering, betrayal, victory, defeat, faith, doubt, praise, patriotism, and even psalms of the Messiah. Today, as we look at Psalm 1, it is noteworthy that the book begins with the word **B** _____! This first psalm sets the tone for the entire book; it tells us what we can expect if we choose to live in **O** _____ to God or in **R** _____! How would you define "blessed"?

I. (Psa.1:1-2) Choosing The Right Influences Results in Spiritual Blessings

1. (1:1) What are the 3 actions the blessed man does not engage in? What do each mean?

a. Walking in _____.

b. Standing in _____.

c. Sitting in _____.

2. What significance do you make of the progression to "walking to sitting"?

3. (1:2) A) What does it mean to "delight in the law of the Lord"? B) How does meditating on His word help us?

Let your guiding influence be _____ and limit your exposure to sinful **I** _____ around you!

II. (Psalm 1:3-4) Our Choice of Influences Affects Our Spiritual Stability

1. (1:3) What is the picture here? How does it relate to mankind today?

2. (1:4) This verse paints the picture of the wicked. How is their life portrayed? What is "chaff"?

How does Jeremiah 17:5-8 fit in here? Briefly describe what this passage is telling us.

3. Spiritual stability deserves our pursuit. How would you describe it and how do we obtain it?

III. (Psalm 1:5-6) There Is An Eternal Difference Between the Life of the Righteous and of the Wicked

1. What 3 things does the Psalmist write about the wicked in these 2 verses?

a.

b.

c.

2. What assurance does the Psalmist give to the righteous?

The blessed exclude themselves from ENTRANCE with the wicked in this life and the wicked exclude themselves, by their actions, from the blessed in the next LIFE!

How can the words "God Knows" give us comfort?

We must remind ourselves that this life is not the FINAL! There is more to COME!

The ungodly are excluding themselves from fellowship with God and His Presence, both now and for Eternity!

Text for July 8, 2018: Psalm 34 *Taste and See*