

Psalms 1

by Chuck Smith

The sermon explores the characteristics of a blessed man as described in Psalms 1, contrasting negative influences with positive devotion to God's law.

Scripture: Psalm 1:1-2, John 17:15-16, Romans 12:2, Galatians 6:7, Philippians 4:8

Topics: "Blessedness", "Meditation on God's Word"

Description

Chuck Smith emphasizes the characteristics of God's blessed man as described in Psalms 1, highlighting both negative and positive aspects. He warns against following the counsel of the ungodly, standing in the way of sinners, and sitting with the scornful, illustrating a progression from walking to sitting in sinful practices. Conversely, the blessed man delights in the law of the Lord and meditates on it day and night, showcasing the importance of a deep, personal relationship with God's Word. Smith encourages believers to be in the world but not of it, maintaining their witness amidst temptations.

Transcript

"GOD'S BLESSED MAN"

I. DESCRIBED.

A. Negative.

1. "Walks not in counsel of ungodly."

a. Counsel & advice plentiful.

b. The worldly maxims.

1. "Eat, drink, & be merry, for tomorrow we die."

2. "To die rich" "short life & Merry."

3. Contrast "For me to live is Christ..."

c. The counsel of worldly gang.

2. Nor stands in the way of sinners.

a. "In world, but not of world."

b. Business life more temptations than recluse.

More opportunities to witness too.

3. "Nor sitteth in the seat of the scornful."

Progression of practice... walking leads to standing which leads in turn to sitting.

B. Positive.

1. "Delights in law of Lord."

a. A man is known by his books.

b. "Whatsoever a man soweth."

2. "Meditates in law day & night."

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