Psalm 37

"Delighting in the LORD"

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The Psalms- Hebrew- Tehillim or "Book of Praises"...Greek Sept. used "psalmos for tehillim, "song sung to stringed instruments"...Vulgate (Latin) used Psalmorum....KJV used

Psalms!

David-73 Psalms

Korah-11,

King Solomon-2,

Asaph -12

Ethan-1, Ps. 89

Moses-1, Ps. 90



THE BOOK OF PSALMS.

THE ARGUMENT.

Book 1- Ps. 1-41....Genesis...Creation

Book 2- Ps. 42-72...Exodus...Redemption

Book 3- Ps. 73-89...Leviticus...Holiness

Book 4- Ps. 90-106...Numbers...Rebellion

Book 5- Ps. 107-150...Deut...Praise

12 There are the workers of iniquity failed: they are cast down, and shall not be able to rife.+ PSALM XXXVII. a David perfuadeth to patience and confidence in God, by the different flates of the godly and the wicked. A pfalm of David. RET not thyself because of evil-doers, neither a Provi 2 For they shall soon be cut down like the grass, and wither as the green herb. 3 Trust in the Lord, and do good: so shalt thou or stables dwell in the land, and verily thou shalt be fed. nelsa present reading in the original be the true one, the meaning must be this-The transgressions of a bad man shew plainly, in the apprehension of a good one, that wn the former is destitute of a true fear of God. Bishop Lowth, by a slight altera-He tion or two in the text, renders it to this effect-" The wicked man according to atly.

Psalm 37.

- Do not fret because of evildoers, Nor be envious of the workers of iniquity.
- ² For they shall soon be cut down like the grass, and wither as the green herb.
- ³ Trust in the LORD, and do good; Dwell in the land, and feed on His faithfulness.
- ⁴ Delight yourself also in the LORD, and He shall give you the desires of your heart.
- ⁵ Commit your way to the LORD, Trust also in Him, and He shall bring *it* to pass.

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- 6 He shall bring forth your righteousness as the light, and your justice as the noonday.
- ⁷ Rest in the LORD, and wait patiently for Him; Do not fret because of him who prospers in his way, because of the man who brings wicked schemes to pass.
- 8 Cease from anger, and forsake wrath; Do not fret --- it only causes harm.
- ⁹ For evildoers shall be cut off; but those who wait on the LORD, they shall inherit the earth.

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- 10 For yet a little while and the wicked *shall be* no *more;* indeed, you will look carefully for his place, but it *shall be* no *more.*
- But the meek shall inherit the earth and shall delight themselves in the abundance of peace.

Part #2. Overview of Psalm 37

- #1. Third alphabetical Psalm...Ps 91, Ps. 25, Ps 34...this one is in couplets
- #2. Theme-why are the wicked prosperous?
- #3. "Wicked found 14 x in KJV

Psalm 37...David urges Solomon to believe God's promises and wait-

'Far be it from Me; for those who **honor** Me I will **honor**, and those who despise Me shall be lightly esteemed. (1 Sam 2:30)

"Also I say to you, whoever confesses Me before men, him the Son of Man also will confess before the angels of God. But he who denies Me before men will be denied before the angels of God. (Lk 12:8,9)

1- v.1.Do not Fret...angry, grow red.



#1- v.1.Do not Fret...angry, to burn, to get heated up, to grow red....remember cutting grass!...be angry and sin not (Ep. 4:26)

Part 1- v.1.Do not Fret...remember cutting

grass!



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#2-v.3 Trust in the Lord

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Nic Wallenda crosses Grand Canyon 2013

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-Niagara Falls June 15, 2012,

-Grand Canyon June 23, 2013

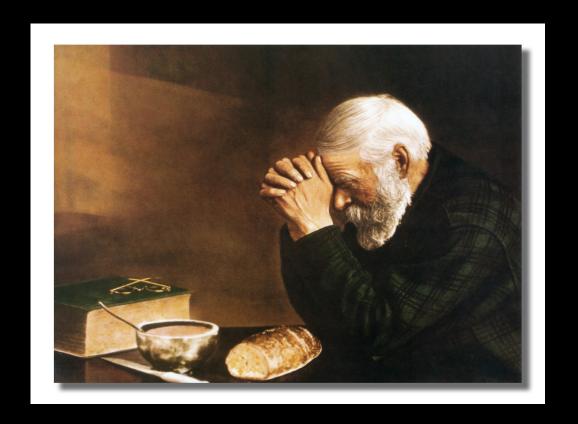
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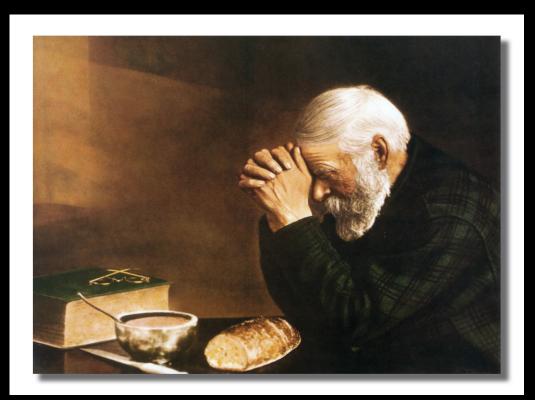
What does this mean?



What does this mean to delight in God?

a. Order-

b. Meaning- to be brought up in luxury, pampered...we want more of God!



Delight yourself in the Lord-

Ex 23:30 "Little by little I will drive them out from before you until you have increased and you inherit the land"

Josh 1: 8 "This book of the law shall not depart form your mouth, but you shall meditate in it day and night that you may observe to do according to all that is written in it. For then you will make your way prosperous, then you have good success.

Deuteronomy 33:25 Your sandals shall be iron and bronze; as your days, so shall your strength be.

#3 Delight yourself in the Lord

Mark 9:23, "Jesus said to him, "If you can believe, all things are possible to him who believes."

Matthew 21:22 And all things, whatsoever ye shall ask in prayer, believing, ye shall receive.

John 11:22 But I know, that even now, whatsoever thou wilt ask of God, God will give it thee.

John 14:13 And whatsoever ye shall ask in my name, that will I do, that the Father may be glorified in the Son.

Part #3. Delight Yourself in the LORD

Example of Mary- "Lk 10:39 ...sitting at Jesus feet"

Example of John- the disciple whom Jesus loved

- a. Jn. 13:33 leaning on Jesus bosom...whom Jesus loved (intimacy)
- b. Jn. 20:2 'she ran and came to Simon and the disciple whom Jesus loved...immediacy...
- c. Jn. 21:7 "the disciple whom Jesus loved said 'it is the Lord'....discernment
- d. Jn. 21:20 "Peter saw the one whom Jesus loved following,,,,constancy

#4. v.5 Commit yourself to the Lord

"The problem that we are facing in the church today is that we have so many Christians who have made a decision to believe in Jesus but not a commitment to follow Him. We have people who are planning to, meaning to, trying to, wanting to, going to, we just don't have people who are doing it." (Tyler Edwards)

#5. v. 7 Rest in the Lord

"Come apart and rest a while" (Mark 6:31)

"Unless we learn to wait silently before God, we will never experience His peace!" Weirsbe.







Part #4. The Way of the Wicked

#1- v9,10 cut off, shall be nothing v. 13 "last day coming". v.20 "disappear" ...like burned sacrifice turned to smoke...v.32 wicked destroyed, v. do not slip with God

The Ways of a Wicked Man

Part 1- v.2 Cut down like grass

Part 2- v.9 Cut off

Part 3- v. 10 'No more"...2x



Part 4. v.13 "The Lord laughs at Him"...sees his day is coming

Part 5. v.15 Own sword enters their soul

The Ways of a Wicked Man

Part 6- v.17 Arms broken

Part 7- v.20 Wicked perish famine

Part 8- v. 20 'like smoke' vanish



Part 9. v.21 "Wicked borrows and pays not"

Part 10. v.22, 34, Wicked cursed and cut off

Part #4. The Way of the Wicked

#2- Joseph's Brothers (Acts 7:9,10)

- Daniel's cruel foes (Dan. 6:24)
- Haman, enemy Esther (Est.7:10)

#1- The Star of Meekness-Meek inherit the earth. v.11

Meekness...Num.12:3, Moses...not weakness...

Meaning of Meek-force under control "Mt. 11:29...for I am meek- Jesus

#2- The Small Things "better a little" v.16

Ps. 8:5 "made Him a little lower"

ls. 60:22 "a little one becomes 1000"

Ps. 22:5 "I am a worm and no man..."

#3- The Security of the Righteous-v.18,19

v.18 "his estate shall not disappear"

v.19 "in famine filled to satisfaction"

#4- The Steps of the Righteous-v.23

v.24 "though he fall, the Lord holds his hand"

Ps. 51 and sin of Bathsheba proves this!

Part 7- v.23 Steps do not slip with God



#5- The Senority of the Righteous-v.23

v.25 "I have been young now old"

"But I have not seen the righteous forsaken, nor his seed begging bread."

#5- The Senority of the Righteous-

Young David-Goliath, Michael, Saul

Old David- Uriah, Absalam, Adonijah

v. 34 "Wait on the Lord" (see also v.9)



The Tree of Wicked Man "I have seen the wicked in his great power, spreading himself like a native green tree. v.35



The Tree of Wicked Man

36 Yet he passed away, and behold, he *was* no *more;* Indeed I sought him, but he could not be found." v.36



The Tree of Blameless Man

"Mark the blameless man, and observe the upright; For the future of that man is peace. But the transgressors shall be destroyed together; The future of the wicked shall be cut off. But the salvation of the righteous is from the Lord; He is their strength in the time of trouble. And the Lord shall help them and deliver them; He shall deliver them from the wicked; and save them because they trust in Him." (v.37-40)

