



Psalm 112: The Fear of the Lord
Lesson 1: Psalm 112:1

1. Introduction

Psalm 112:1-10

This Psalm _____ be for everyone, but it is not written _____ everyone.

Who would not want these promises?

Everyone would like to have these promises. However, these promises are not just for anyone who picks up their Bible and claims them.

The promises are ignited in a person's life by verse one.

2. Igniting the promises

Psalm 112:1

This verse describes _____ who is going to get the blessings and the promises of the rest of the chapter.

Psalm 112:2

His descendants – Whose descendants? – The blessed man from verse one.

What causes the man to be blessed?

Psalm 112:1

2. Two things cause the man to be blessed and receive all the promises included in this chapter.

- _____
- _____

3. The promises of God are like motivators.

The promises of God motivate us to a certain lifestyle or way of living.

The Bible is filled with more than 7,000 promises.

- God knows what motivates us. He asks, “Do you want these things?”
- We say, “Yes!”
- He says, “Okay, you can have all of these things if you live this way.”

Then, God calls those promises in your life “being blessed”.

4. The room of blessing

Think of the blessings of Psalm 112 this way . . .

- The blessings of God are in a room.
- To get into that room you must go through a door. That door is God declaring to you that you are blessed.
- That door hangs on two hinges.

Those hinges are:

- Living in the fear of the Lord.
- Delighting greatly in His commandments.

When that door hangs on those two hinges you can go into that room.

If the door is not on those hinges you are going to find it impossible to go into that room and have the blessings.

5. What does it mean to be blessed?

Psalm 112:1

Definition of BLESSED:

- _____

I have been happy, and I have been sad – Happy is better!

God is saying here, “I will get involved in making you happy.”

- _____

A blessed person is not going backwards or stuck in the same place.

You can tell someone is not doing verse one if his/her life is not going forward.

- _____

Many Christians have an “up and down” life.

You should have a desire to get your life right.

- _____

Question: Do you like these four things? If so, how do you get them?

These four things are activated in your life by living in the fear of the Lord and delighting greatly in His commandments.

6. How do these two things begin in my life?

Living in the fear of the Lord and delighting greatly in His commandments begin with a choice.

You choose this lifestyle.

If these two things are important, we should know exactly what they are.

7. Fear the Lord

Definition of FEAR THE LORD: _____

This is a choice that you make.

You bring it into your consciousness.

You think about it.

You meditate on it.

You change the way you look at yourself and your life.

You live every day with a sense of accountability.

You declare to yourself that your life is not your own. You were bought with a price.

1 Corinthians 6:20

You are to glorify God in your spirit, soul, body, actions, attitude, words, and every area of life.

You are to live for God every day, not just Sunday.

If you live this way, what will it do for you? – It will cause you to be blessed. It will cause you to be happy, go forward in life, to be level and right, and to be prosperous.

If you do not like what is happening on the outside, you have to change what is happening on the inside.

Matthew 12:35

This does not come naturally. By nature, humans are rebellious to this.

We do not like being accountable to our parents, teachers, pastor, and even the person who pays us.

We must be accountable to God every day by choice!