



Psalm 112: The Fear of the Lord
Lesson 5: Psalm 112:4-8

1. Introduction and review

Psalm 112:1-10

This Psalm can be *for* everyone, but it is not written *to* 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 listed in verses 2-10 are ignited in a person's life by verse one.

Psalm 112:1

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

- _____
- _____

Definitions of BLESSED:

- Happy
- _____
- To be level; to be right
- Prosperous

Definition of FEAR THE LORD: To live your life with a deep and reverential sense of accountability to God.

You make a choice to bring this into your life.

The following is a wrong thought that we have in the church today: Sunday is God's Day.

Sunday is not God's Day.

We are not accountable to God just from 11:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. on Sunday.

Every day is God's Day.

We are supposed to live our lives with a deep and reverential sense of accountability to God every day.

Definition of DELIGHTS:

- Has vehement pleasure
- To be soft and pliable
- _____

2. He will not be shaken

Psalm 112:6-8

These three verses go together because there are very similar things in all of them.

Psalm 112:6

Who is this verse talking about? – The blessed man.

What causes a man to be blessed?

- He fears the Lord.
- He delights greatly in His commandments.

The next blessing says is – Surely he will never be shaken.

Definition of SURELY: _____

This verse could read – “Beyond any doubt, he will never be shaken.”

Definition of WILL NEVER BE SHAKEN:

- _____

- He will not shake.
- _____
- He will not get off course.
- _____

How is it possible to never slip, shake, fall, get off course, or waver?

If we live our lives with a deep and reverential sense of accountability to God every day and we delight greatly in God's commandments – those two things will keep us on course for our lives.

How does someone get off course in their life?

The reason someone gets off course is because they quit living their lives with a deep and reverential sense of accountability to God every day and delighting greatly in God's commandments.

The next part of this verse (verse 6) says, "The righteous will be in everlasting remembrance."

Who is the righteous person? – The blessed man

Definition of RIGHTEOUS: _____

What causes this man to be right, get it right, and live right?

- He fears the Lord.
- He delights greatly in His commandments.

That makes perfect sense! If you fear the Lord and delight greatly in His commandments you will be right, get it right, and live right.

Definition of REMEMBRANCE:

- _____
- To be recognized
- To be mentioned

If you fear the Lord and delight greatly in His commandments you are marked and recognized by God.

You are also being mentioned by Jesus to the Father. He is making intercession for you day and night.

Psalm 112:7 .

The next blessing is that the blessed man will not be afraid of evil tidings.

Definition of EVIL TIDINGS: _____

Sometimes there is a problem, bad circumstance, or threat against you, and you ask yourself, “Am I going to get through this? Am I going to lose everything? I may not make it.”

If you are living in the fear of the Lord and delighting greatly in His commandments you do not have to worry or be afraid. You have a promise that your life will be okay.

The next thing this verse says about the blessed man is that his heart is steadfast, trusting in the Lord.

Definition of HIS HEART IS STEADFAST:

- His heart is prepared

You must prepare your heart.

Remember your heart is like soil for the seed of the Word of God to be planted in.

A blessed man has his heart prepared (soft and pliable).

- His heart is applied

- _____

What is the blessed man’s heart prepared for? What is his heart applied to? What is his heart fastened to? – Trusting in the Lord

Definition of TRUSTING IN THE LORD:

- Confident in the Lord

- _____

- Secure in the Lord

Psalm 112:8

The blessed man's heart is established.

Definition of ESTABLISHED: _____

What is the opposite of standing fast? – Wavering

This verse also says that the blessed man will not be afraid until he sees his desire upon his enemies.

Definition of ENEMIES:

- Opponents or adversaries

Sometimes your opponents or adversaries are your circumstances.

God promised that if you will fear Him and delight greatly in His commandments that your adversary's desires will not come upon you, but your desire will come upon your adversary.

Sometimes your adversary is the devil. Other times it is people.

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Have you ever been in a tight place and you don't feel like you are going to get out of it?

God promised the blessed man that he would see his desire when he gets into a tight place.

- _____

If you get a pebble in your shoe, it doesn't stop you from going forward. It just irritates you.

If you leave it in your shoe long enough it can bruise your foot. It can also change the way that you walk, even to the point that it causes pain in your back.

God says to the man who is fearing the Lord and delighting greatly in His commandments that he will take care of the big enemies that threaten his life and the pebble in your shoe!