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A Word from Pastor Marr

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Morning Prayer

"Evening and morning and at noon shall I pray." - Psalm 55:17

My dear friend in Christ Jesus:

I just received this wonderful letter from a lady not far away from here.

"Dear Pastor Marr,

I am so thankful to God for you and your ministry! God has brought me closer to Him through your booklets and has allowed me to benefit from your many hours spent with Him!

I can especially feel His comfort when you have mentioned caring for your wife Ruthie because I am taking care of my elderly father. Your underlying message is simple, "look to Him! He is All!" This has brought me hope for every situation.

Thank you and may our Wonderful Lord bless you!
Sincerely,"

One day I went to my computer to start preparing the letter to you. I couldn't! My computer was dead! We're still waiting to replace it!

I was going to tell you about my lonely nights and 36 hour days without Ruthie and my uncertainty for the future where I may live apart from my 20 year home - and my need of you as my real friend. And the certainty that the only way is to turn to Jesus as our only way out of the impossibilities again and again.

The lady writing the above letter is being divorced and needs our care. Let's assure her of it and hold onto God for her.

I am weak and can't see or read or walk or talk well. I need you. Phone me and let me share your needs.

All things work together for good to them that love God, to them who are the called according to his purpose. --
Romans 8:28

Lovingly in Christ Jesus,
Our Lord and soon-coming King,
Pastor Ron Marr

Are You Blessed? Is Your Delight in God's Word?

Psalms 1: 1-3 "Blessed is the man that walketh not in the counsel of the ungodly, nor standeth in the way of sinners, nor sitteth in the seat of the scornful. (2) But his delight is in the law of the LORD; and in his law doth he meditate day and night. (3) And he shall be like a tree planted by the rivers of water, that bringeth forth his fruit in his season; his leaf also shall not wither; and whatsoever he doeth shall prosper. "

Dear Friend of ChristLife,

Thank you for your on-going prayer and support of this ministry. As you read this letter, I have just returned from Kenya, Africa. I sincerely appreciate the prayers of everyone who has been or is continuing to pray for me!

Do you want to be "blessed"?

The verses above give us many insights about living as a "blessed" person.

These passages indicate that we are not walk in the counsel of the ungodly, stand in the way of sinners or sit in the seat of the scornful.

Verse 1 clearly shows two regressions that we must avoid. The first is that we will go from WALKING to SITTING! The second is that we will move from the UNGODLY to the SCORNFUL!

Below is a list of the definitions of these words. Please take note of the regression that happens.

Walketh - The Hebrew word "halak" includes the idea of walking along with or being conversant with.

Ungodly - The Hebrew word "rasha" means a morally wrong or bad person.

Standeth - The Hebrew word "amad" means to abide or remain with. It can include connotations of being employed or established.

Sinners - The Hebrew word "chatta" means a criminal or guilty one.

Sitteth - The Hebrew word "yashab" has similar meanings as "amad", but it is even deeper. Not only are you remaining, you are now settling in. It includes the idea of settling in as far as in marriage.

Scornful - The Hebrew word "luwts" means to only scoff at. It includes the notion of holding another in derision, someone who is a mocker.

While verse 1 tells us what a "blessed" person DOES NOT do, verse 2 tells us what a "blessed" person DOES! A "blessed" person DELIGHTS in God's Word and meditates upon it DAY and NIGHT!

Verse 3 teaches us of the outcome of being a "blessed" person. This type of person will experience the reality of whatever they"... doeth shall prosper." They will prosper because they are not listening to bad counsel from the wicked and they are receiving great counsel from the Word of God!

Will you decide today to delight yourself in God's Word and flee from all of the ways of the world? If you do, you will get the best advice available and your life (especially your spiritual life) will greatly prosper!

Love in Christ Jesus,
Robert (Bob) Dallmann

To God be All the Glory! He Alone is Worthy!