

6/6/21 - Speaker: Al Schaap
Series: "Psalms for the Summer"
Today: Psalm 1

A main prayer for & challenge to you: Take hold of God's wonderful gift of the book of "Psalms" this summer & _____ to Him. Open your life to this heart-honest, eye-opening book as you root yourself in God!

Top Line, The Mid-lines & The Bottom Line: For true success, I need to _____ in The _____!

*Blessed is the one
who does not walk in step with the wicked
or stand in the way that sinners take
or sit in the company of mockers,
² but whose delight is in the law of the Lord,
and who meditates on His law day and night.
³ That person is like a tree planted by streams of water,
which yields its fruit in season
and whose leaf does not wither—
whatever they do prospers.
⁴ Not so the wicked!
They are like chaff
that the wind blows away.
⁵ Therefore the wicked will not stand in the judgment,
nor sinners in the assembly of the righteous.
⁶ For the Lord watches over the way of the righteous,
but the way of the wicked leads to destruction. (Psalm 1, NIV)*

God calls me to _____ my life's _____
"the way of the righteous" or "the way of the wicked"

ON'T (progressively worsening)...
*...walk with the wicked
...stand with sinners
...sit with mockers*

**Sow a thought, reap an action.
Sow an action, reap a habit.
Sow a habit, reap a character.
Sow a character, reap a destiny.**

...and the choice of my _____ is the choice of my _____.

*Blessed is the one ...
whose delight is in the law of the Lord,
and who meditates on His law day and night.*

DO (continually)...
*... _____ in God's Word and
... _____ on it continuously*

“Blessed” – “Truly Happy” lives are not found on the road with the ungodly but by being planted root-deep by The Living Water of God!

*³ That person is like a tree planted by streams of water,
which yields its fruit in season
and whose leaf does not wither—
whatever they do prospers.*

**...the choice of your _____ is the choice of your
_____!**

Keys for Graduates (& everyone else) to get rooted for successful living:

- **“Delight in” God’s Word...make it your #1 Daily Intake**
 - **Daily Bible reading**
 - **Weekly small groups around The Word**
 - **Weekly worship with large group/whole church**

- **“Meditate” daily/pray and think through the Word**

- **Let God Develop a Generous Life in you...“bear fruit in season”**

- **Giving generously of your time...effort...resources**

- **_____ which road you will take...and then
_____! (cf. Joshua 24:14-15)**

“Now fear the Lord and serve Him with all faithfulness...But if serving the Lord seems undesirable to you, then choose for yourselves this day whom you will serve...But as for me and my household, we will serve the Lord.” (Joshua 24:14-15)

Remember:

**The choice of your _____ is the choice of your
_____!**

Key: pray it back; root my life, Word of God; intentionally choose, road; road, destination; delight, meditate; road, destination; decide, take it every day; road, destination