

Tuesday, June 7

² *but his delight is in the law of the LORD, and on his law he meditates day and night.*

1. What do you think it means to delight in the law of the LORD?
2. Why do we not tend to equate delight with law?
3. What would lead someone to delight in the law of the LORD?
4. What benefit does the law of the LORD provide for us?
5. What do you think it means to meditate on his law day and night?
6. Why would it be important for someone who delighted in the law of the LORD to meditate on it? What connection is there between the benefits of having his law and the practice of meditating on it?
7. To what degree does this description match you? To what degree do you delight in the law of the LORD, and how much time do you spend meditating on it?

KTFK: law is / is right. / all that / my delight, / for there / I see / In his

You may want to sing: “The Law of the Lord”

Prayer: “Lord, I praise you for the wisdom and truth that is found in your law – wisdom that keeps me from sin which brings pain and suffering and brokenness. Forgive me for ever turning a deaf ear to your law or allowing myself to go long periods of time without meditating on it. Help me to spend each day with your word in the forefront of my mind. Amen.”

Wednesday, June 8

³ *He is like a tree planted by streams of water that yields its fruit in its season, and its leaf does not wither. In all that he does, he prospers.*

1. How does the law of God nourish us like water to a tree?
2. How does that law lead to the production of fruit in us?
3. What kinds of prospering do you think are meant here?
4. How does the content of the law (and the types of things that it addresses itself to) help us to understand the prospering that is meant here?
5. Do you experience God’s law as nourishing water in your life?
6. In what ways has the law of the LORD helped you to prosper?

KTFK: becomes your / you live / filled with / pursuit, the / When the / the LORD / law of / fruit. / will be / life that

You may want to sing: “Be Thou My Vision”

Prayer: “Lord, I praise you that you do not hide true wisdom and understanding from us, but offer it to us in abundance. I know you do this because you desire that our lives be filled with fruit and the joy that comes from living in the truth. Help me to draw nourishment from it continually that I might be just what you desire. Amen.”

Thursday, June 9

⁴ *The wicked are not so, but are like chaff that the wind drives away. ⁵Therefore the wicked will not stand in the judgment, nor sinners in the congregation of the righteous;*

1. What is the difference between chaff and wheat?
2. How would you describe the kind of life people experience given that in their sin they are like chaff?
3. How grounded do you feel your life is?
4. Why is your life well-grounded or not well-grounded?
5. Do you believe you will be able to stand in the judgment? Why? What does it have to do with the way that you relate to the law of the LORD?
6. How does the law of the LORD connect to the gospel? Is it possible to embrace the gospel and reject the wisdom given in the law of the LORD?

KTFK: should laugh, / his law / for the / no one / like chaff. / the wicked / While rejecting / is becoming / life of

You may want to sing: “How Firm a Foundation”

Prayer: “Lord, I know the feeling of being ungrounded. I know the feeling of knowing that my life is not built on firm ground. I also know the joy of the firm ground of your word and law. Thank you for giving me a firm place to stand. Help me to remain in you to the end of my days. Amen.”

Friday June 10

for the LORD knows the way of the righteous, but the way of the wicked will perish.

1. What do you think it means that “the LORD *knows* the way of the righteous”?
 - a. How does the fact that the LORD knows this way guarantee us that those who follow it will not perish?
2. How does this verse compare to John 3:16?
 - a. Are they saying the same thing or different things?
 - b. What should this tell us about the grace offered us in Christ?
3. How is the desire not to follow authority, but to chart one’s own course, inherent in the sinful nature?
4. What do you think it will be like for the wicked when they perish?
5. To what degree does a reflection on this cause you to grasp more firmly to God?
6. To what degree does a reflection on this cause you to seek to reach out to those not embracing God?

KTFK: perish. / alone we / we deeply / The truth / cherish, for / shall not / of God / by it

You may want to sing: “Thy Word”

Prayer: “I tremble, O God, when I consider what lies ahead for those who have rejected you. May you hold onto me, that I may hold onto you not perish in my sin. Help me too, to reach out in love and truth to those who are foolishly going the way of the wicked that they might not perish on that great day. Amen.”

Saturday, June 11

Read the entire passage again and review the key thoughts from each day. Which did you find most important for you this week?

June 10 - The truth / of God / we deeply / cherish, for / by it / alone we / shall not / perish.

chaff.

June 9 - While rejecting / his law / no one / should laugh, / for the / life of / the wicked / is becoming / like

truth.

June 8 - When the law of / the LORD / becomes your / pursuit, the / life that / you live / will be / filled with /

June 7 - In his / law is / my delight, / for there / I see / all that / is right.

June 6 - The practice / of sin / is like / a disease / that infects / you more / and more; / so avoiding / it all / no

Family Worship 2022

June 6 - 11

Psalm 1

Kids and Parents: See if you can unscramble the daily
KTFK - Key Thought for Kids (Answers on back page)

Next week we will begin a series on the Ten Commandments. The first installment will be an introduction to them as a whole and a reflection on why they continue to be so important for God’s people. In preparation we will reflect this week on Psalm 1, as it points us to the all-important decision we must make to follow the way of the righteous.

Monday, June 6

The Way of the Righteous and the Wicked

’Blessed is the man who walks not in the counsel of the wicked, nor stands in the way of sinners, nor sits in the seat of scoffers;

1. How does the introductory statement for Psalm 1, “The Way of the Righteous and the Wicked,” frame our most basic choice in life?
2. What does it mean to walk in the counsel of the wicked?
 - a. Where do you most often hear this counsel?
 - b. Whose advice do you listen to when you are making decisions in life?
3. What does it mean to stand in the way of sinners?
 - a. How does this develop as one begins to walk in the counsel of the wicked?
4. What does it mean to sit in the seat of scoffers?
 - a. How does this develop when a person makes their home among those who follow sin?
 - b. What do these scoffers scoff at?
5. In what way is a life of wickedness something that happens a little at a time?
6. How might this be avoided?

KTFK: it all / no matter / and more; / is a / is like / you more / task we / of sin / so avoiding / that infects / The practice / can’t ignore. / how small / a disease

You may want to sing: “How Shall the Young Direct Their Way?”

Prayer: “Lord, how true it is that a little sin quickly becomes a lot of sin – how quickly giving in to living by some of the counsel of the wicked turns into being the one who is giving the same counsel to others. And how blind we are to this without the voice of your Word and Spirit. Lord, I thank you for allowing me to burn my hands in sin in order to learn early just how destructive it is. Help me to stay away, and help especially our youth to do the same – that years from now they may take their place in leading your people in faith rather than walking away from the faith and salvation in you. Amen.”