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Bible Study

“Blessed is the man who walks not in the council of the ungodly, nor standeth in the way of sinners, nor sits in the set of the scornful.”

The ungodly has it council
The sinner has his way
The scorner has his seat

} Notice the progression: walking, standing, sitting

Notice, if you follow this path, Satan’s goal or destination is for you to arrive at “scorner.” How do we know? Because it always has to do ultimately with speaking...in the wrong direction.

Scorner – To scorn, to “make mouths at,” to talk arrogantly, to deride, ridicule

Sin – (Hebrew) **Chaitah** (*Khat – tawth’*) – An offense, habitual sinfulness (properly to miss the mark)

Sin – (Greek) **Hamertia** –not attaining the goal; to aim but yet miss. “The way it shouldn’t be.”

- **To miss the mark**

Transgression – (trespass) –

- Trans / Tres – across
- Gress / Pass – to walk
- To walk across purposely – you see it first, then willfully walk across or trespass or transgress
- To do as one wants regardless of the consequences
- **To miss the mark on purpose!**

Iniquity – (Hebrew) – **Avon** (*Aw – Voné*) – perversity, moral evil, (immoral) mischief | anemia (gr.) – illegality that is violation of _____, generally wicked

- **Fighting for your right to miss the mark on purpose**

“The Blessed Man”

“But his delight is in the Law (Word) of the Lord (Jehovah) and in His Law (Word) does he meditate day and night.” (vs 2)

A “**Word**” – A vehicle that transports a thought.

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- Jesus becomes the “vehicle” of the thoughts and intents of the mind of the Lord (God of Covenants) – See Psalms 119:92

He meditates – (Hebrew) **Hagah** (*Haw – gaw’*) – To murmur

- By implication to ponder – (imagine, mutter or to silently utter, to study with intensive thought)
- Four factors that determine your belief system (Dr. I. V. Hilliard)
 1. Environment
 2. Experience
 3. Credible Others
 4. Repetitious Information

- “God has limited Himself to work within the framework of how he has designed us to function to develop us.” (Dr. I. V. Hilliard)

“And he shall be like a tree” – “The oak and the pine”

Planted – established – He is established and he establishes

- “Forever O Lord, your Word is settled (established) in Heaven.” (Psalm 119:89)
- Notice what I did not say... (Earth)

- Matthew 18:19 – “If two of you shall agree on Earth as touching (concerning) anything they ask (demand), it will be done of them (established) by My Father in Heaven.
- For where two or three are gathered together in my name, I am there in the midst of them (to make sure what they have agreed upon comes to pass!)
- If you don’t have it (whatever you need that coincides with all things that pertain to life and godliness) you must not be calling for it! (Charles Capps) Rom. 4:17

*Choose to **agree with God** and take the way of the righteous!*

- 1) His Prominence – He shall be like a “Tree”
- 2) His Permanence – Like a tree “Planted”
- 3) His Position – He is planted by the “Rivers of waters”

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- 4) His Productivity – He “Brings forth fruit”
- 5) His Propriety – He brings forth fruit “In his season”
- 6) His Perpetuity – “His leaf also shall not wither”
- 7) His Prosperity – “Whatsoever he does shall prosper”

“The Ungodly Man”

He is Driven – “But the ungodly are not so (vs. 4)

- In the LXX (Septuagint), the Scripture used a double negative
- Double Negative – A grammatical construction occurring when two forms of negation are used in the same sentence.
 - Double negatives intensify the negation
 - “Not so the ungodly But he is like the chaff which the wind driveth away.” (Tree vs. chaff)
- The ungodly man is at the mercy of what he does not see and cannot control. Grippd by forces beyond his ability to handle, and being driven straight to disaster.
 - Proverbs 4:19 – “The way of the wicked is like darkness; they do not know what makes them stumble.
 - vs. 18 – “But the way/path of the just is like the shining sun, that shines ever brighter unto the perfect day.”

He is Doomed – “Therefore the ungodly shall not stand in the judgement nor sinners in the congregation of the righteous.

- All the friends and that which is familiar – GONE!
- Everything he invested in during his time – Gone!
- Everything he built on sand – GONE!
- The judgment has swept it all away.

He is Damned – “For the Lord knoweth the way of the Righteous, but the way of the ungodly shall perish. (vs. 6)

- There is a way that seems right to a man, but its end is the way of death.” (Prov. 14:12, 16:25)
