

The RULES OF Being Blessed

Pastor Epting's
Sermon Notes
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"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. But his delight is in the law of the Lord; and in his law doth he meditate day and night. 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." Psalms 1:1-3 KJV

David has gone through a tremendous change in his life. Not just spiritually but economically and socially. He is our example of being blessed by God. He gives us direction that we should follow.

Blessed - *uncanny innate ability to succeed over adversity*

RULES #1: DON'T FOLLOW WORLDLY ADVICE

Walkers not in the counsel of the ungodly...

You won't be blessed if you listen to worldly, secular advice

Conform - *observe and follow after*

Transform - *make a thorough or dramatic change in the form, appearance, and character*

- Name 5 people who you get spiritual advice from?
- How often do you seek their counseling?

RULE #2: DON'T ADOPT THE WAYS OF SINNERS

Nor stand in the way of sinners

- What associate in your life do you find yourself acting like? Is this relationship helping you or hindering you as it relates to God?

RULE #3: DON'T ASSOCIATE WITH BITTER PEOPLE

Nor sit in the seat of the scornful

Bitter people see the negative on everything.

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RULE #4: DO ENJOY GOD'S WORD

But his delight is in the law of the Lord; and in his law doth he meditate day and night.

Must add His word to you life

- What can you do to add more of God's Word in your life?

RULE #5: DUE SEASONS

When you do this - what He shall be like a tree planted by the rivers of water.

This is about timing. *"But they that wait upon the Lord-shall renew their strength; they shall mount up with wings as eagles ; they shall run, and not be weary; and they shall walk, and not faint. Be not deceived; God is not mocked: for whatsoever a man soweth, that shall he also reap."*

It's coming in due season.

- What do you think when God has not given you what you've ask Him for?

RULE #6: DO WHATEVER GOD DIRECTS YOU TO DO

You're not waiting on God. God is waiting on you.

"Delight thyself also in the Lord; and he shall give thee the desires of thine heart."

Psalms 37:4 KJV

God will not bless what you will not do.

- What is holding you back from following the Word of God?

