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Walk

There are several things that are absolutely certain. **What's that?** I want to walk with you. I want to know and do your will. I want to live my life in ways that are pleasing to you. I want to shine like a bold and bright witness in the world. I want others to be drawn to you through the testimony of my life. To sum it all up, I want to bear fruit for your kingdom and bring glory to your name. **These are very good desires.** Yes, I know. These desires come from you. **Yes, they do.**

How will these desires be fulfilled in and through your life? You have already given me your very clear answer to this question. **That's true. Let me hear your answer.** First, I must separate myself from evil of every kind. I must remove anything from my life that would hinder my walk with you. **Like what?** There are people that should not be in my inner circle. There are people that should not be allowed to speak into my life. There are people that should not be my close confidants. There are people that would not be good examples for me to follow. I should never allow myself to become a companion of someone that is putting forth evil of any kind. **That's true. What else?** There are places, circumstances and situations that would certainly attempt to feed my thoughts, words and actions with evil. I should separate myself from anything that might lead me into temptation or cause me to sin. I must never allow myself to flirt with evil of any kind. When evil approaches, I must run from it, even before it attempts to overtake me. **That's also true.**

You have talked quite a bit about what you must not do; what must you do if you want to live and walk in ways that please me? I must meditate on your word day and night. I must take your word deeply into my heart and mind. I must let your word dwell in me richly. I must devour your word because it will feed the life you have called me to live. Your word will change my heart and transform my mind. Your word will change the thoughts of my mind, words of my mouth and deeds of my life. Your word will make me able to stand against temptation and resist evil. Your word will help me to bear fruit for your kingdom and bring glory to your name. **Yes, it will. Will you separate yourself from evil and meditate on my word day and night.** Yes Lord, I will. **That will be very good. Then my blessing will be on your life.**

Lord, I will separate myself from evil of every kind. I will leave behind everything that might hinder my walk with you. I will meditate on your word day and night so I can know your will and walk in your ways. Help me to bear fruit for your kingdom and glory. Amen

Becoming Like Christ *Meditates Day And Night*

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NIV Psalm 1:1-3

Becoming Like Christ *Meditates Day And Night*

Oh, the joys of those who do not follow the advice of the wicked, or stand around with sinners, or join in with mockers. But they delight in the law of the LORD, meditating on it day and night. They are like trees planted along the riverbank, bearing fruit each season. Their leaves never wither, and they prosper in all they do.

NLT Psalm 1:1-3

Becoming Like Christ *Meditate Day And Night*

Happy are those who do not follow the advice of the wicked, or take the path that sinners tread, or sit in the seat of scoffers; but their delight is in the law of the LORD, and on his law they meditate day and night. They are like trees planted by streams of water, which yield their fruit in its season, and their leaves do not wither. In all that they do, they prosper.

NRSV Psalm 1:1-3

Becoming Like Christ *Meditates Day And Night*

BLESSED (HAPPY, fortunate, prosperous, and enviable) is the man who walks and lives not in the counsel of the ungodly [following their advice, their plans and purposes], nor stands [submissive and inactive] in the path where sinners walk, nor sits down [to relax and rest] where the scornful [and the mockers] gather. But his delight and desire are in the law of the Lord, and on His law (the precepts, the instructions, the teachings of God) he habitually meditates (ponders and studies) by day and by night. And he shall be like a tree firmly planted [and tended] by the streams of water, ready to bring forth its fruit in its season; its leaf also shall not fade or wither; and everything he does shall prosper [and come to maturity].

Psalm 1:1-3 (AMP)

AMP Psalm 1:1-3

Becoming Like Christ *Meditates Day And Night*

How blessed is the man who does not walk in the counsel of the wicked, Nor stand in the path of sinners, Nor sit in the seat of scoffers! But his delight is in the law of the LORD, And in His law he meditates day and night. He will be like a tree firmly planted by streams of water, Which yields its fruit in its season And its leaf does not wither; And in whatever he does, he prospers.

NASB Psalm 1:1-3

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ESV Psalm 1:1-3

Becoming Like Christ *Meditates Day And Night*

Blessed is the man Who walks not in the counsel of the ungodly, Nor stands in the path of sinners, Nor sits in the seat of the scornful; But his delight is in the law of the LORD, And in His law he meditates day and night. He shall be like a tree Planted by the rivers of water, That brings forth its fruit in its season, Whose leaf also shall not wither; And whatever he does shall prosper.

NKJV Psalm 1:1-3

Becoming Like Christ *Chew On Scripture Day And Night*

How well God must like you— you don't hang out at Sin Saloon, you don't slink along Dead-End Road, you don't go to Smart-Mouth College. Instead you thrill to GOD's Word, you chew on Scripture day and night. You're a tree replanted in Eden, bearing fresh fruit every month, Never dropping a leaf, always in blossom.

MSG Psalm 1:1-3

Becoming Like Christ *Day And Night Are Always Meditating*

Oh, the joys of those who do not follow evil men's advice, who do not hang around with sinners, scoffing at the things of God. But they delight in doing everything God wants them to, and day and night are always meditating on his laws and thinking about ways to follow him more closely. They are like trees along a riverbank bearing luscious fruit each season without fail. Their leaves shall never wither, and all they do shall prosper.

TLB Psalm 1:1-3

Becoming Like Christ *Think About Those Teachings Day And Night*

Happy are those who don't listen to the wicked, who don't go where sinners go, who don't do what evil people do. They love the LORD'S teachings, and they think about those teachings day and night. They are strong, like a tree planted by a river. The tree produces fruit in season, and its leaves don't die. Everything they do will succeed.

NCV Psalm 1:1-3

Meditates Day And Night

Year _____ Week _____ Day _____ Date _____

Becoming Like Christ – Psalm 1:1-3

In Context: *Read Psalm 1*

Begin With Prayer:

Here I am Lord. I Am Listening.

Meditating On God's Word: ***(What is God speaking to your heart?)***

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Considering The Words: ***(What words speak to your heart?)***

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Praying The Scripture: ***(What prayer from your heart will you write?)***

Lord, I will separate myself from evil of every kind. I will leave behind everything that might hinder my walk with you. I will meditate on your word day and night so I can know your will and walk in your ways. Help me to bear fruit for your kingdom and glory. Amen

What It Means: ***(What questions speak to your heart?)*** *(Suggested questions for small group discussion are in bold)*

How are you separating yourself from what will hinder your walk with the Lord?

What time and place could you set aside to begin the practice of meditating on God's word?

How has meditating on God's been changing your thoughts, words, and actions?

How has meditating on God's been guarding and guiding the course of your life?

How has meditating on God's word helped you to stand against evil and resist temptation?

How has meditating on God's word helped you to understand and hold on to His promises?

How has meditating on God's word helped you to prosper and bear fruit for the Lord?

Living It Out: ***(What action step is God guiding your heart to take?)***

Separate yourself from evil and meditate on God's word day and night so you can know His will and walk in His ways.

Seeing It Happen: ***(What are you trusting God for in your heart?)***

Have faith that the Lord will bless your life as you separate yourself from evil and meditate on His word.

Get Ready To Share: ***(What can you share with others from your heart?)***

Share with another person or your small group how God's word has been guarding and guiding the course of your life.

Close With Prayer:

Quiet Yourself Before The Lord

Pause And Offer Prayers Of...

With An Attitude Of Faith Listen To What The Lord Wants To Say To You

Adoration... _____

Thanksgiving... _____

Confession... _____

Intercession... _____

Petition... _____

Journal

As You Quiet Yourself Before The Lord

What Do You Want To Say To Me Lord?

What Prayers Are You Praying Today?

Prayer Of Blessing

(What Prayer Of Blessing Can You Pray For Another?)

May you separate yourself from evil and meditate on God's word so you can know His will and walk in His ways.

Prayer To Carry

(What Prayer Would You Like To Carry Throughout Your Day?)

Lord, I will separate myself from evil and meditate on your word so I can know your will and walk in your ways.

What Do You Want To Remember About Today?

A Question To Ask God

(What Would You Like To Ask God?)

Lord, how can I separate myself from evil as I continue to meditate on your word today?
