



WISDOM PSALMS

(1,37)

Psalm 1

- 1 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 37

Of David.

1Do not fret because of those who are evil
or be envious of those who do wrong;

2for like the grass they will soon wither,
like green plants they will soon die away.

3Trust in the Lord and do good;
dwell in the land and enjoy safe pasture.

4Take delight in the Lord,
and he will give you the desires of your heart.

5Commit your way to the Lord;
trust in him and he will do this:

6He will make your righteous reward shine like the dawn,
your vindication like the noonday sun.

7Be still before the Lord
and wait patiently for him;
do not fret when people succeed in their ways,
when they carry out their wicked schemes.

8Refrain from anger and turn from wrath;
do not fret—it leads only to evil.

9For those who are evil will be destroyed,
but those who hope in the Lord will inherit the land.

10A little while, and the wicked will be no more;
though you look for them, they will not be found.

11But the meek will inherit the land
and enjoy peace and prosperity.

12The wicked plot against the righteous
and gnash their teeth at them;

13but the Lord laughs at the wicked,
for he knows their day is coming.