

Monday, 18 June 2012

Psalm 1:1-2

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

Lord, this is a passage of stark contrasts with the division being choice. Do I choose to spend my time, thoughts, words and actions in the company and support of those who despise you or do I choose to bask in the Shalom of Your Word and Presence? The two cannot coexist any more than dark can exist in the presence of light. I choose to live in the Kingdom of Light, that place where Your Presence radiates over all.

Tuesday, 19 June 2012

Psalm 1:3-4

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. The wicked are not so, but are like chaff that the wind drives away.

Your promise is that I will live in the Righteousness, Peace, and Joy that is life in the Kingdom, guided by the Holy Spirit. As the leaves of the tree will not wither in the harsh arid winds, neither will my life wither in the onslaught of tests, trials and temptations. The fruit of the Spirit will mature in due season.

Wednesday, 20 June 2012

Psalm 1:5-6

Therefore the wicked will not stand in the judgment, nor

sinners in the congregation of the righteous; for the LORD knows the way of the righteous, but the way of the wicked will perish.

The promise of eventual and certain triumph over the forces of evil and darkness. Your assurance that my soldiering on in faithfulness will be rewarded and those who have sought my harm will be dealt with justly. Praise you, My Lord and Master.

Thursday, 21 June 2012

Acts 2:36, Philippians 2:9-11

Let all the house of Israel therefore know for certain that God has made him both Lord and Christ, this Jesus whom you crucified.... Therefore God has highly exalted him and bestowed on him the name that is above every name, so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

From glory to shame to the exaltation of the Name that is above all other names. The Lord Jesus, the Christ, the Son of the Living God, The Ruler of all things, the Master of Creation, the One to whom every knee must bow. My Lord, my Master, my Savior, my Brother. The one of infinite grace and mercy, the one who is love, the Light of the World and yet, the humble servant of all. Praise You, Lord Jesus the Christ.

Friday, 22 June 2012

Psalm 2:1-3

Why do the nations rage and the peoples plot in vain? The kings of the earth set themselves, and the rulers take counsel together, against the LORD and against his Anointed, saying, "Let us burst their bonds apart and cast away their cords from us."

Is this not an accurate description of the world today?

We find man devising ways to destroy any of Your influence and seek their own instincts. These instincts are based upon the desperately wicked heart of man and are the counsel of fools.

Saturday, 23 June 2012

Psalm 2:4-6

He who sits in the heavens laughs; the Lord holds them in derision. Then he will speak to them in his wrath, and terrify them in his fury, saying, "As for me, I have set my King on Zion, my holy hill."

Lord, there is no sense of immediacy here, no call for me to take action but Your promise that You will deal with those who deride You and Your people. Your Kingdom is operational, fully staffed and pursuing Your instructions, bring it to fruition in the here and now, yet anticipating that day when all will be accomplished and the Kingdom is in full flower.

Psalm 119:105

Your word is a lamp to my feet and a light to my path.

Your Word -- the Lamp and the Light, the Revealer of the Way to the Promised Land of the Saints. Lord, infuse me with the Word.

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