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Part 1

## Alternative Lifestyles

Psalm 1

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<sup>1</sup> 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;

<sup>2</sup> but his delight is in the law of the LORD,  
and on his law he meditates day and night.

<sup>3</sup> 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.

<sup>4</sup> Not so the wicked,

but are like chaff that the wind drives away.

<sup>5</sup> Therefore the wicked will not stand in the judgment,  
nor sinners in the congregation of the righteous;

<sup>6</sup> For the LORD knows the way of the righteous,

but the way of the wicked will perish. (ESV)

Blessed is the man . . .

Walks not in the counsel of the wicked

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*Romans 1:28 – 32 – <sup>28</sup> Furthermore, just as they did not think it worthwhile to retain the knowledge of God, so God gave them over to a depraved mind, so that they do what ought not to be done. <sup>29</sup> They have become filled with every kind of wickedness, evil, greed and depravity. They are full of envy, murder, strife, deceit and malice. They are gossips, <sup>30</sup> slanderers, God-haters, insolent, arrogant and boastful; they invent ways of doing evil; they disobey their parents; <sup>31</sup> they have no understanding, no fidelity, no love, no mercy. <sup>32</sup> Although they know God's righteous decree that those who do such things deserve death, they not only continue to do these very things but also approve of those who practice them.*

<sup>2</sup> but his delight is in the law of the LORD, and on his law he meditates day and night.

*Deuteronomy 30:19 – This day I call the heavens and the earth as witnesses against you that I have set before you life and death, blessings and curses. Now choose life, so that you and your children may live.*

1. Take an \_\_\_\_\_ and your  
\_\_\_\_\_ to God.

“Does the way I live demonstrate that God and his Word are the foundation of the lifestyle I’ve chosen and the decisions I make?”

“Does my life show that God is my core . . . that my roots go down deep into him . . . or that he is just an appendage?”

2. Commit to \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ the  
Psalms as we go through this series.