

BLESSED HOPE



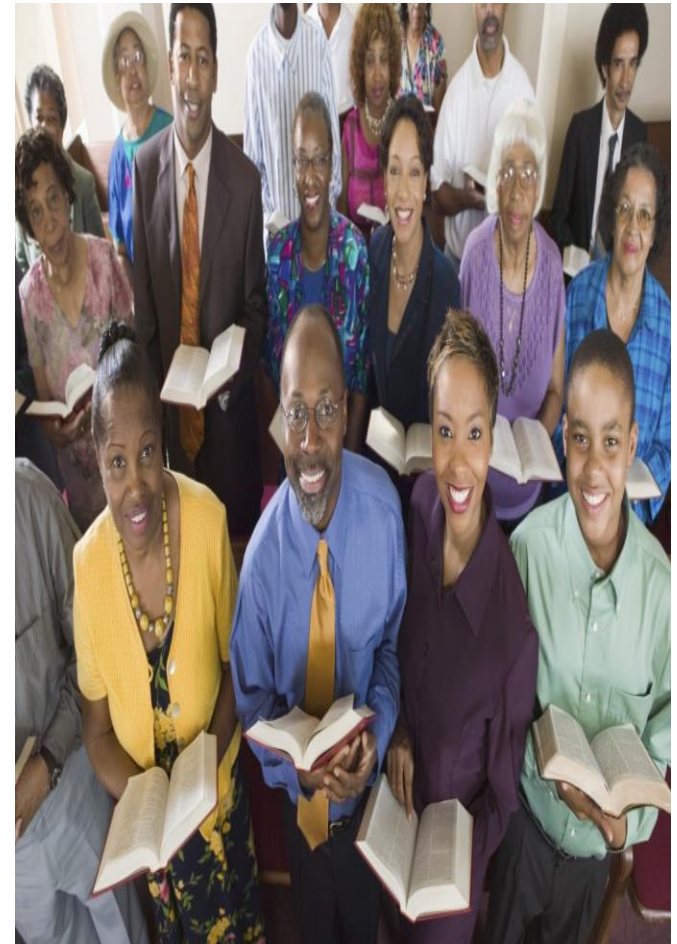
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Loving ...
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By the Word
of God***



LESSONS FROM THE WISDOM PSALMS

PSALMS 37:34-40

EXPECATION FROM TRUSTING THE LORD

A Question for You

- Does it really pay to trust in the LORD?
- **Follow-up question:** Why is it so hard to trust the Lord
 - May be it is because we believe that He takes too long to do something.
 - May be it is because we believe that He does not really care.
 - May be it is because we believe that we have to take care of our own problems without God's help.

- **LESSON:** Real blessings can be realized from trusting in the Lord.



TRUST

in the LORD with all your heart and lean
not on your own understanding; in all
your ways submit to him, and he will
make your paths straight.

Proverbs 3:5-6

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TRUST in the LORD

and do good;

Dwell in the land

and cultivate faithfulness.

Delight

yourself in the LORD;

And He will give you

the desires of your heart.

Commit your way

to the LORD,

Trust also in Him,

and He will do it.

Psalm 37:3-5

- **EXPECTATION #1: AN INHERITANCE FROM THE LORD (37:34-36)**

- **The Exhortation: Wait on the LORD and keep His Way**

- **Waiting on the Lord does NOT mean you are doing nothing at all—it means that you are trusting God to act on your behalf in His own time.**
 - **Waiting on the Lord and keeping His Way go hand-in-hand—keeping His way means that you obey God's command in all situations, even when you are tempted to do the wrong thing to get what you want or to get something done now.**

– The Promise: He shall exalt you

- **To be exalted means to be elevated or raised up to a position of honor, respect, and esteem, and to receive special privileges**
- **This has two special privileges**
 - **You will be exalted to inherit the land, i.e., God will give you a time of peace, safety, prosperity, and joy—in this life and in His kingdom**
 - **You will be exalted through vindication, i.e., you will see justice dealt out to the wicked—in this life and in the judgment day.**

– The Confirmation:

- **The wicked may have a successful start**
- **Nevertheless, the wicked will have a terrible end**

- **EXPECTATION #2: A LIFE OF SECURE PEACE FROM THE LORD (37:37-40)**
 - The Exhortation: Mark the blameless man, and observe the upright
 - A blameless man is one who has a good public testimony and reputation (note: pastors are suppose to have a good public testimony)
 - Note: Look around you and notice how God works in the life of the man or woman who trust in Him!
 - Doesn't God meet their needs?
 - Doesn't God protect and vindicate them?
 - Doesn't God give them strength, courage, and confidence in tough times?
 - Doesn't God give them a measure of peace, joy, happiness, and satisfaction?

- The Promise: The future of that man is peace**
 - Peace with God**
 - Peace with others**
 - Peace within: Inner safety, security, and satisfaction**
- The Confirmation: The salvation of the righteous is from the LORD**
 - He is their strength in the time of trouble**
 - He will help them and deliver and vindicate them from the wicked**

A QUESTION FOR YOU

IS GOD FAITHFUL??



GOD

is faithful

yesterday, today, tomorrow

always.

A QUESTION FOR YOU

WILL THE LORD TRULY REWARD THOSE WHO
TRUST IN HIM??



SERMON CHALLENGE: IT PAYS TO TRUST IN THE LORD!



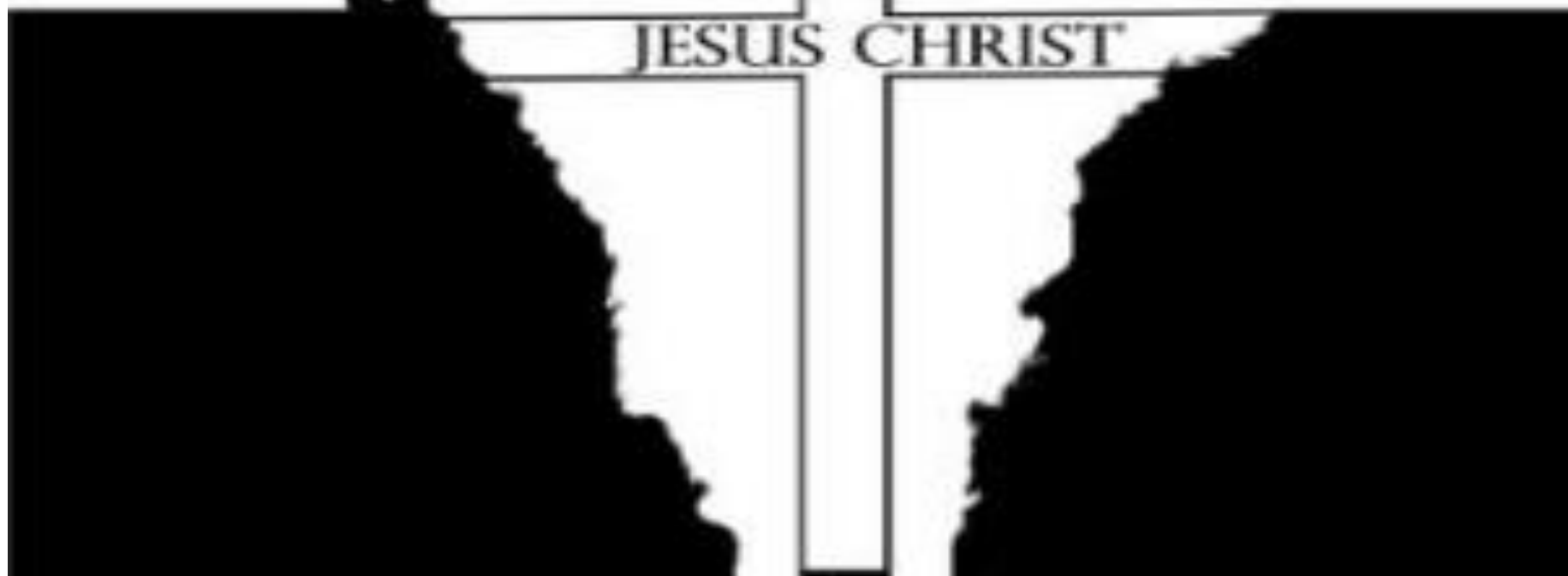
RECEIVE THE LORD JESUS CHRIST AS YOUR
SAVIOUR TODAY!!



GOD HAS PROVIDED THE
ONLY WAY...WE MUST MAKE
THE CHOICE



JESUS CHRIST



1. **Acknowledge** that the Lord Jesus Christ, the Son of God, died on the cross for your sin, and that He arose again from the dead on the third day.
2. **Admit** that you are a sinner, **guilty** of sin and **responsible** and **accountable** to a holy God for your sin, and that you are under His just condemnation and eternal punishment for your sin.
3. **Affirm** that the Lord Jesus Christ is your Lord and Saviour by **receiving** His provision of salvation through your faith in Him alone.