

# **Delighting Ourselves in the Word of God**

**Psalm 1:1-6**

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# Three Things We're NOT to Do:

1. We ought not walk in the counsel of the wicked (v. 1)
2. We ought not stand in the way of sinners (v. 1)
3. We ought not sit in the seat of scoffers (v. 1)

# One Thing We ARE to DO:

- Delight ourselves in the Law of the Lord!
  - “Delight” means to take pleasure in something, so much so that you forget about other things.
  - Psalm 19:10: “More to be desired are they [your laws] than gold, even much fine gold; sweeter also than honey and drippings of the honeycomb.”
  - We delight in the law of God when we desire it more than all possessions and pleasures.

# One Thing We ARE to DO:

- “Meditation” means to moan, utter, speak, or muse; to ponder by talking to oneself.
- *Joshua 1:8—“This Book of the Law shall not depart from your **mouth**, but you shall **meditate** on it day and night, so that you may be careful to do according to all that is written in it. For then you will make your way prosperous, and then you will have good success.”*

## Five Reasons “Delighters” are Happy:

1. They are well planted and stable.
2. They are well nourished.
3. They are fruitful, in season.
4. They prosper in all they do.
5. They won't suffer the fate of the wicked.

# Our Bible Reading Plan:

We like this plan because...

- It has us read in four places at once;
- It has us read only 25 days per month;
- It offers flexibility for those who feel they can't read the entire Bible in one year.

# Our Bible Memory System:

- Our Eight Values:
  - A Biblical Vision of God
  - Holiness
  - The Word of God
  - Prayer
  - Worship
  - Faith
  - Koinonia (fellowship)
  - The Lost and Least

# A Final Plea:

*Delight yourselves in the Word of God and  
thus be happy forever! Read it, study it,  
meditate on it, obey it, teach it, and you will  
know the eternal pleasures of God!*