

A Blessed Life

Psalm 128

The Lord is the provider of blessings for those who fear and obey Him

I. Personal Blessings (vs. 1-2)

A. Blessed in your walk (vs. 1)

Godly living produces good living.

Godly attitude - “all who fear the Lord”

Godly actions - “who walk in obedience to Him”

“If the heart is joined unto God, the feet will follow hard after Him”

B. Blessed in your work (vs. 2) -

God never blesses laziness

Genesis 2:15; 3:17

industry – “eat fruit of labor”

prosperity – “blessed”

security – “will be yours”

Deuteronomy 28:1-2; 33

What does blessed work look like?

II. Family Blessings (vs. 3-4)

Psalm 128 paints the picture of a happy home and presents the home as the center of God’s blessing.

Experiencing God’s blessing does not require that one be married or have children

A. Faithful wife – “fruitful vine”

More than just childbearing

faithfulness in marriage

flourishing in their emotional, spiritual health

B. Growing children – “olive shoots”

2 truths about olive shoots:

1) They take a long time to mature and become profitable

2) They continue to produce a profitable crop for centuries

vs. 1 – (ashrei) – the individual experience of blessedness

vs. 4 – (baruch) – the source of blessedness

III. Societal Blessings (vs. 5-6)

A. Prayer for prosperity (vs. 5)

“May the Lord bless you from Zion”

“may you see the prosperity of Jerusalem”

Jeremiah 29:7

B. Prayer for longevity (vs. 6)

“May you live to see your children’s children.”

Proverbs 17:6

A Godly legacy, not a fancy lifestyle

Proverbs 13:22