**TWO KINDS OF PEOPLE**  
**PSALM 1**

**MAIN THOUGHT**  The Word of God continually contrasts two kinds of people – the RIGHTEOUS and the WICKED.

**INTRODUCTION** – The theme of Psalms is given in these first two gems – DELIGHTING in (Psalm 1 – WISDOM PSALM) and DEFYING (Psalm 2 – MESSIANIC PSALM) the Word of God. Taken together they begin (1:1) and end (2:12) with a BLESSING.

**THE RIGHTEOUS** (1-3).

**WHAT HE DOES NOT DO** (1).

- Notice his posture: WALK – not in the counsel of the wicked; STAND – not in the way of sinners SIT – not in the seat of mockers. He teaches his children the law of God when he SITS, WALKS, and LIES DOWN, and GETS UP (Deut. 6:5-7).
- He is instructed to not give in to peer pressure (Prov. 1:10-15; 1 Cor. 15:32-34).
- The Christian should be separate from the world both in thinking and action (2 Cor. 6:14-18).
- We should seek the COUNSEL of the Lord (32:8; 73:24; Isa. 28:29).

**WHAT HE DOES DO** (2-3).

- He Meditates – on his law (8x - 119:15, 23, 27, 48, 78, 97, 99, 148).
- He Abides – Planted by streams of water (Psa. 92:12-14; John 15:4).
- He Produces – fruit (John 15:1-2, 5 – no fruit, fruit, more fruit, much fruit).
- He Prospers – not wither (Pro. 16:20; 19:8; Jer. 29:11).

**THE WICKED** (4-5).

- CHAFF is the dry outer husk that is so close to valuable grain. It is separated from the grain by tossing it in the air with a winnowing fork (Jer. 15:7) destined to be burned with fire (Matt. 3:12).
- Unlike the righteous, they will not STAND at the judgment (130:3; Mal. 3:2; Rev. 6:17).
- There will be no sinners in the assembly of the righteous before God in heaven (26:12; Rev. 22:14-15).

**CONCLUSION** (6).

- The righteous are WATCHED OVER by the Lord (Psa. 121).
- The wicked will PERISH (John 3:16).