

Studying the Psalms

Security Of Those Who Trust In The Lord ...

Psalms 37:31ff

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Psalms 37:31, “*The law of his God is in his heart; none of his steps shall slide.*”

- ❑ One can only speak what is in his heart. (Matthew 12:34-35).
- ❑ The righteous person treasures God’s word in his heart, and thus speaks! (Psalms 119:11; 40:8; Proverbs 4:4)
- ❑ God’s word “*is a lamp unto my feet, and a light unto my path.*” (Psalms 119:105)
- ❑ Without God’s light, we stumble. (John 11:9-10).

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- ❑ Psalms 37:32, “*The wicked watcheth the righteous, and seeketh to slay him.*”
- ❑ “Our adversary the devil loves to destroy the righteous (1 Peter 5:8), and his servants walk in his ways (cf. Psalms 10:8-9).
- ❑ “They hate the righteous person (John 7:7; 15:18-19; 17:14; Matthew 10:22) and watch for opportunities to catch him (Luke 6:7; 11:54; 14:1; 20:20).”
(Evan and Marie Blackmore, *Psalms*, Truth Commentaries, page 424)

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Psalms 37:33, “*Jehovah will not leave him in his hand, nor condemn him when he is judged.*”

- ❑ The Lord “*will stand at the right hand of the needy, to save him from them that judge his soul*” (Psalms 109:31; cf. James 4:7; 1 Corinthians 10:13).

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Psalms 37:34, “*Wait for Jehovah, and keep his way, and he will exalt thee to inherit the land: when the wicked are cut off, thou shalt see it.*”

- ❑ Don’t waste your time being angry at the wicked and doing evil ourselves.
- ❑ Rather, WAIT on the Lord (Psalms 37: 8-9) and keep the Lord’s path (his way), without turning aside from it (Proverbs 16:17; 4:25-27).
 - “*Only with thine eyes shalt thou behold, and see the reward of the wicked.*” (Psalms. 91:8).
 - The sight will cause the righteous to fear the Lord (Psalms 52:6) and rejoice at His judgment against evil (Psalms 58:10-11).
- ❑ If we humble ourselves under Him in that way. He will exalt you in due time. (1 Peter 5:6)