



PSALM 1

Psalm 1:1 Blessed is the man who walks not in the counsel of the wicked, nor stands in the way of sinners, nor sits in the seat of scoffers.



Psalm 1:2 - But his delight is in the law of the LORD, and on his law he meditates day and night.

Meditation: Delight driven thinking or serious pondering of Bible passages for the sake of spiritual pleasure.

Blessed person: A person who is permanently happy and deeply content in God.



Psalm 1:3 - He is like a tree planted by streams of water that yields its fruit in its season, and its leaf does not wither. In all that he does, he prospers.



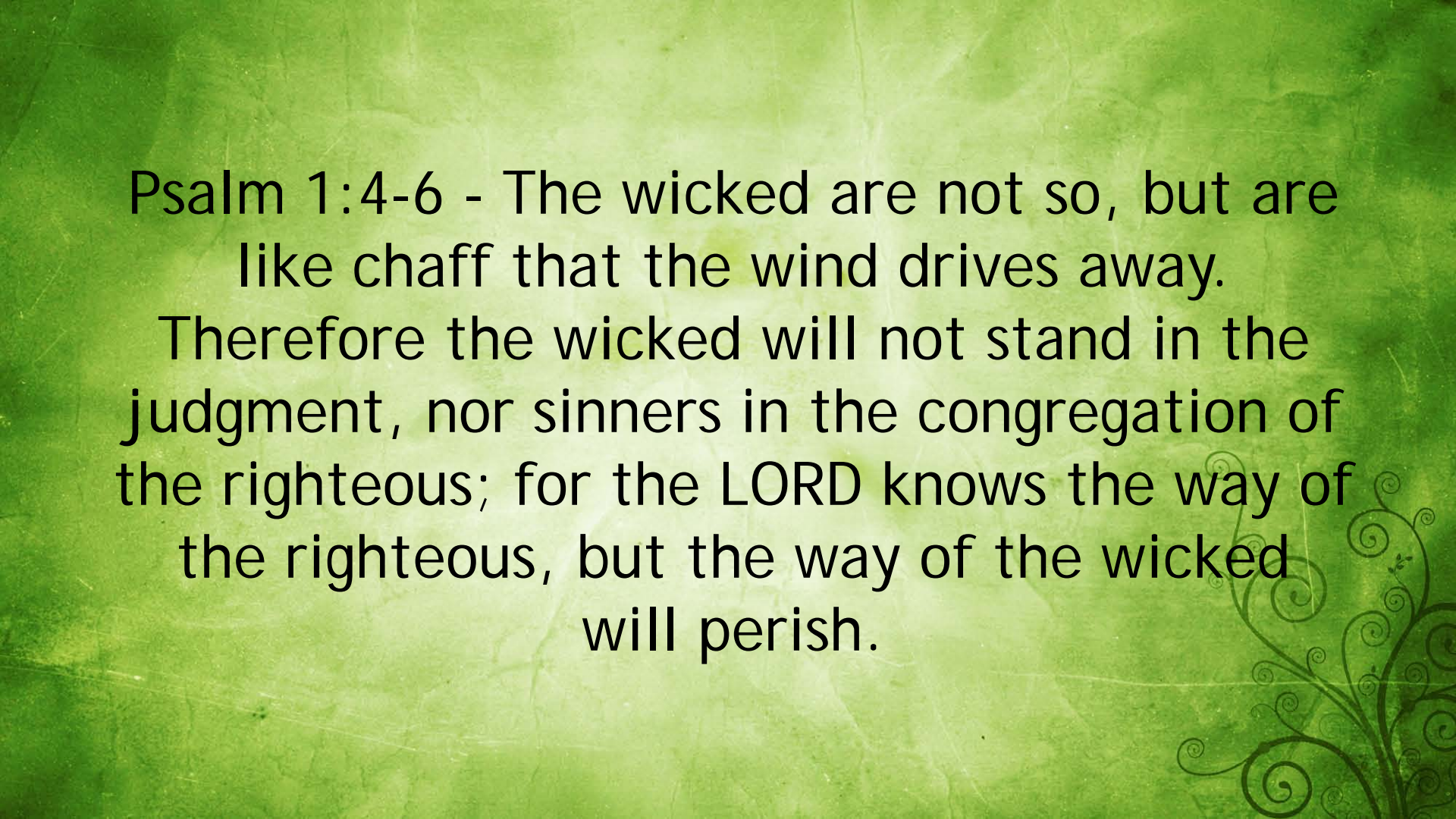
Three effects in our lives of meditation on God's word:

1. We will yield fruit in our lives.
2. Our leaf will not wither.
3. We will prosper in all that we do.



Psalm 1:4-6 - The wicked are not so, but are like chaff that the wind drives away.

Therefore the wicked will not stand in the judgment, nor sinners in the congregation of the righteous; for the LORD knows the way of the righteous, but the way of the wicked will perish.



1. The wicked are like chaff.
2. There is a coming judgment.
3. The wicked will not stand on the day of judgment.
4. In the day of judgment there will be a congregation of the righteous that will stand.

God is offering us this morning a path to greater joy in this life by laying down the lesser things of this world and delighting in his Word, which results in not walking and standing and sitting in the ways of the world and of sin, but rather meditating on God's word, resulting in a life that is sustained by God's grace in joy despite outward circumstance, and producing the fruit of the Holy Spirit.