



**Planted by streams of water:**

**Part Five**

**Psalm 1:3; 4-6**

**Prosperity, the known and the  
unknown, and the two ways**

## The blessed man is prosperous Ps. 1:1-3

A summary comparison:

Both Joshua and the Blessed man walk (*halak*) the same path (*dherek*), follow the same method (*hagah*) and prosper (*tsalakh*) all the time (*yomam valaylah*).

### Joshua 1:7-8

Only be strong and very courageous, being careful to do according to all the law which Moses my servant commanded you; turn not from it to the right hand or to the left, that you may have good success wherever you go (*halak*). This book of the law shall not depart out of your mouth, but you shall meditate (*hagah*) on it day and night (*yomam valaylah*), that you may be careful to do according to all that is written in it; for then you shall make your way (*dherek*) prosperous (*tsalakh*), and then you shall have good success. Have I not commanded you? Be strong and of good courage; be not frightened, neither be dismayed; for the LORD your God is with you wherever you go (*halak*).

### Psalms 1:1-3

Blessed is the man who walks (*halak*) not in the counsel of the wicked, nor stands in the way (*dherek*) of sinners, nor sits in the seat of scoffers; <sup>2</sup> but his delight is in the law of the LORD, and on his law he meditates (*hagah*) day and night (*yomam valaylah*).<sup>3</sup> 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 (*tsalakh*).

What is *Biblical* Prosperity?

In what is the blessed man successful?

### **Isaiah 53:10**

Yet it was the *will of the LORD* to bruise him; he has put him to grief; when he makes himself an offering for sin, he shall see his offspring, he shall prolong his days; *the will of the LORD* shall prosper (tsalakh) in his hand.

### **Isaiah 55:11**

So shall *my word* be that goes forth from my mouth; it shall not return to me empty, but it shall accomplish *that which I purpose*, and prosper (tsalakh) *in the thing for which I sent it*.

# **Knowing and being known**

## **How does one know God?**

John 17:3

Exodus 6:6-7

## **How does God know us?**

Gen. 22:12

Matthew 7:15-27

# **The Two ways**

## **Jeremiah 21:8**

“Behold, I set before you the way of life and the way of death”.

## **The Didache 1:1**

“There are two ways, one of life and one of death, and there is a great difference between these two ways.”

1. The way of life. The way of knowing and of being known:
2. The way of death. The way of being unknown and forgotten

## **Choosing life**

Sit at God's feet and meditate on the counsel of his teaching

Stand with your feet on the path of life

Walk on that path in faithfulness day and night