# Psalm 1:3 (1-3 Doctrinally)

## I. Review

So far we have divided Psalms 1:1-3 into three key sections and there will be a number of things that we want to try and put into perspective.

#### Section 1 Being In Agreement with God

Psalms 1:1 *Blessed* [*is*] *the man that walketh not in the counsel of the ungodly, nor standeth in the way of sinners, nor sitteth in the seat of the scornful.* Being in Agreement with God is the key to our walk with God. I also showed you how to have the right walk and how not to lose your walk.

#### Section 2 Three key words

Psalms 1:2 But his delight [is] in the law of the LORD; and in his law doth he meditate day and night.

- 1.) Delight Our attitude towards the WOG,
- 2.) Law Delight yourself not only in the things you like in the WOG, but also those things that point a finger at us that we need to get fixed.
- 3.) Meditate Thinking on those things that God gives us.

#### Section 3. Doctrinal application of Psalms 1:1-3

Remember Psalms 1 is a prelude to the whole book of Psalms but is also a prelude to life.

Psalms 1:1-3 Blessed [is] the man that walketh not in the counsel of the ungodly, nor standeth in the way of sinners, nor sitteth in the seat of the scornful. 2. But his delight [is] in the law of the LORD; and in his law doth he meditate day and night. 3. And he shall be like a tree planted by the rivers of water, that bringeth forth his fruit in his season; his leaf also shall not wither; and whatsoever he doeth shall prosper.

We will get into the doctrinal side of these verses today. You have heard me say many times that the bible breaks down into <u>three basic applications:</u>

- 1.) Historical Application-It actually happened in history.
- 2.) Inspirational Application-Applies to your life and my life in everyday living.

3.) **Doctrinal** Application -Always points in the direction of events that have not yet taken place. (Example: Rapture, 2<sup>nd</sup> coming, tribulation, millennium etc.)

The book of Psalms itself will break down into three areas of study from a doctrinal standpoint. Doctrinally (futuristic) Psalms will have passages that deal with the tribulation, with the 2<sup>nd</sup> coming of Christ and with the millennial reign of Christ.

<u>Psalm 1:1-3 doctrinally is a millennial Psalm.</u> All of you today by the end of this service hopefully should have a new appreciation and understanding of the book of Psalm as it relates to the millennial reign of Christ. Most of God's people have no idea what the millennial reign of Christ is. Very few understand and know the function and how it works and its real purpose.

### II. Verse 1 Doctrinally - Blessed is the man-Nation of Israel

Psalms 1:1 We are told to walk with God and not the ungodly. That is a reference to the millennium doctrinally. The man in the passage (blessed is the man) is the nation of Israel. You should know this because back in Matthew, Mark, Luke and John (even the Old Testament) when he tells a story or a parable, and he makes it around a man, that man is the nation of Israel. We know from Exodus 4 Israel as a nation is called God's son. So in passages when it is talking about the man" it is talking about the nation of Israel. Inspirationally, "blessed is the man" will be you and me. Historically,, "blessed is the man" anybody in the old testament. Doctrinally "blessed is the man" is the nation of Israel in the millennium.

#### A.) Where and How He (Israel) Walks

In Revelation you will see where this man walks. "Blessed is the man that walketh not..." There is a group of people he is not to walk with, but he is to have a walk with God instead.

In Revelation 21, I will show you some parallels between the inspirational application (you and me, what we are walking in) and the doctrinal. I will show you that in the millennium and also in eternity, what they (Israel) are waking in.

Revelation 21:22-27 And I saw no temple therein: for the Lord God Almighty and the Lamb are the temple of it. 23. And the city had no need of the sun, neither of the moon, to shine in it: for the glory of God did lighten it, and the Lamb [is] the light thereof. 24. <u>And the nations of them which are saved</u> shall walk in the light of it: and the kings of the earth do bring their glory and honour into it. 25. And the gates of it shall not be shut at all by day: for there shall be no night there. 26. And they shall bring the glory and honour <u>of the nations</u> into it.27. And there shall in no wise enter into it any thing that defileth, neither [whatsoever] worketh abomination, or [maketh] a lie: but they which are written in the Lamb's book of life.

#### This tells us the nations are walking in the light of God on the throne.

Look at *Psalms 56:13* For thou hast delivered my soul from death: [wilt] not [thou deliver] my feet from falling, that I may walk before God in the light of the living?

This verse is a millennial Psalm. It says "For thou hast delivered my soul from death" this is talking about Israel being delivered from the tribulation. Psalms 119:105 doctrinally is also a millennial Psalm. Verse 105 says "*Thy word is a lamp unto my feet, and a light unto my path.*"

Ephesians 5:8 For ye were sometimes darkness, but now [are ye] light in the Lord: walk as children of light:". This verse is written to you and me. You are going to find sometimes like in 1 John 1:7 (But if we walk in the light, as he is in the light, we have fellowship one with another,)

is used as an inspirational verse, because in the church age, spiritually we walk in the light of God through the word of God. But in the millennium, there is no bible, there is no church. We walk in the word of God spiritually, in the light. In the millennium they will walk in the literal light of Jesus Christ on the throne. And the light of Gods glory is the light they are walking in the person of Jesus Christ. This is why in John 1:9 it says that "*he was the true Light, which lighteth every man that cometh into the world*". Now we walk in the light of God, but in the millennium, they walk in the light of Jesus Christ on the throne.

# III. Verse 2 Doctrinally But his <u>delight</u> [is] in <u>the law</u> of the LORD....

Isaiah 9:6-7 tells us that the millennial reign of Christ is going to be the establishment of God's government. This government is based on truth and righteousness which you will find in Revelation 19:11. This perfect sinless government supersedes all the governments on this earth. All kings, queens, presidents, dictators, and princes are all out of a job. Once the Lord comes back and establishes his government, the <u>law of the Lord</u> (Psalms 1:2) will be the rule of law of the day. The bible tells us in Revelation 2:27 it is an iron rule. It says "*And he shall rule them with a rod of iron; as the vessels of a potter shall they be broken to shivers: even as I received of my Father*". When the Lord comes back and establishes his kingdom it's not a democracy, it's not a dictatorship, or a socialist state, or even a free society. It's a righteous reign that God establishes based on the word of God. Jesus Christ is on the throne and all governments must come in and submit themselves to Him.

For us as saved people today, <u>delighting yourself in the law of God</u>, means you don't just like things in the bible that goes your way. But you like the things in the Bible that you have to face yourself and change some things about yourself. If you love the Lord and the WOG, then you will love the law of God because it's written in your book. In the millennium, the people that are in the millennial reign of Christ will love the law of Jesus Christ sitting on the throne enforcing the righteousness on the world.

In Ecclesiastes you will find that <u>all governments</u> today in our world are listed as philosophies or devices that man uses to get around Jesus Christ and to establish his own kingdom. Ecclesiastes points out the fallacy of all governments. We get the idea that America and capitalism is of God when it is not. Every form of government out there is nothing more than a counterfeit of the real government that Jesus Christ is going to establish. <u>Everything in this world is a counterfeit to what God is going to do down the road.</u>

**Example:** <u>Sanctuary cities</u>: The liberals in their minds thinks it is a place where you can come and take sanctuary. They got rid of all the police and now crime is out of control and costing trillions of taxpayer dollars to support these illegals coming to a sanctuary city. What is the fallacy of that? **It's counterfeit**! <u>A true sanctuary city will be in the millennium in Jerusalem</u>. Jerusalem will be the real sanctuary city, where people go to get everything they need. Not today, because the government is corrupt. The bible tells us that every nation on this planet (under the sun) is altogether vanity. For a Christian, putting your faith in government or the Republicans or Democrats would be a terrible mistake.

Wherever you go corruption is not just limited to America, or Russia or Mexico it is everywhere. Because they are counterfeits of the real government that will be run by righteousness when Jesus Christ shows up. <u>There is only one form of government that is the right form of</u> <u>government and that is a theocracy</u>. That will be when Christ comes back at the second coming, goes into Jerusalem and sits down on the throne and the whole world crowns him King of Kings and Lord of Lords. Only then will it be right.

When you go to New York City you will find the United Nations building. The United Nations was created after WWI but it was called the League of Nations back then. It was an organization of nations that was going to end all world conflict. If you go to New York city you can see their building and at the top of the building they put the bible verse out of Isaiah 2:4 *...they shall beat their swords into plowshares, and their spears into pruninghooks*. This is a millennial verse that says when Jesus Christ comes back war will be over. The idea that a group of people and nations that live in corruption and sin and reject God and the bible, think that they could bring in world peace. There will be no peace until the prince of peace comes back. It's all counterfeit. The quicker you learn that the better off you will be.

#### A.) The Millennium

<u>This is what the millennium will be</u>. We right now are living at the end of the church age. We have already seen God beginning to bring the nation of Israel back to him. We are living today in 2023 at the brink of the end of time as we know it. Any day, any moment, any second the Rapture is going to take place. Christ is going to come back and catch away his bride and begin God's real plan that he has established. All this that you have seen in the last six thousand years is just a pre-game to get everything ready.

At the Rapture we are going to be gone and the moment that happens, God is going to turn his attention directly to the nation of Israel. They will now have to go through the tribulation period because they rejected Christ and crucified him. Today they do not acknowledge Christ as their messiah. So they got to go through the tribulation to get to that point. And when they do, Christ comes back and that's called the second coming. He gathers the nation of Israel; he destroys the anti-Christ (battle of Armageddon) then Christ comes back (Rev 19:11). He gets off that horse and goes into the Mt. of Olives and sits down on the throne. This is the beginning of God's government, called the millennium (mill - meaning 1,000). The millennium is the reign of Jesus Christ on earth over the governments for 1,000 years before eternity starts. Notice that it is a worldwide righteous reign of Christ where he is crowned King of Kings and Lord of Lords. The people on this earth are rejoicing (Zech 14) because corruption has been put aside and God is ruling with a rod iron.

But verse one still says there is still a council of the ungodly. To stay away from standing with the sinners and not to be found in the seat of the scornful. People in the millennium doctrinally are told to stay away from these people. In the millennium when Christ sets up his righteousness reign, there will be a group of people out of some of the nations who come into the millennium, that simply won't like how things are being run. You will see this in Zech 14 where they are commemorating the Feast of Tabernacles, and some people will not come up.

Turn to Revelation 20, and I will give you a quick breakdown of the book of Revelation.

- 1.) Book of Revelation breakdown
  - a.) Chapters 1-3
    b.) Chapter 4
    c.) Chapter 5
    d.) Chapters 6-18
    e.) Chapter 19
    f.) Chapter 20
    Church
    Rapture
    Judgement Seat of Christ
    Tribulation
    2<sup>nd</sup> coming of Christ
    Millennium

Revelation 20:1-9 And I saw an angel come down from heaven, having the key of the bottomless pit and a great chain in his hand. 2 And he laid hold on the dragon, that old serpent, which is the Devil, and Satan, and bound him a **thousand years**, 3. And cast him into the bottomless pit, and shut him up, and set a seal upon him, that he should deceive the nations no more, till the thousand years should be fulfilled: and after that he must be loosed a little season. 4. And I saw thrones, and they sat upon them, and judgment was given unto them: and [I saw] the souls of them that were beheaded for the witness of Jesus, and for the word of God, and which had not worshipped the beast, neither his image, neither had received [his] mark upon their foreheads, or in their hands; and they lived and reigned with Christ a *thousand years*. 5. But the rest of the dead lived not again until the **thousand years** were finished. This [is] the first resurrection. 6. Blessed and holy [is] he that hath part in the first resurrection: on such the second death hath no power, but they shall be priests of God and of Christ, and shall reign with him a **thousand years**. 7. And when the thousand years are expired, Satan shall be loosed out of his prison, (he has been chained up for 1,000 years) 8. And shall go out to deceive the nations which are in the four quarters of the earth, Gog and Magog, to gather them together to battle: the number of whom [is] as the sand of the sea. 9. And they (the people that were disgruntled) went up on the breadth of the earth, and compassed the camp of the saints about, and the beloved city: and fire came down from God out of heaven, and devoured them.

#### **B.)** Free Will, the Choice to Choose

**The key here in verse 9 is free will.** God will not force anyone to love him. God will not force anyone to get saved. When you look at the overall bible from Genesis to Revelation, God has a plan. That plan ultimately leads to his government. But God gives an open invitation for anyone that wants to come to be part of this government. But they have to choose to want to do that. God is not going to force them to do that. What you find in the bible is everything that God created, they have to choose to be part of God's kingdom. If we go all the way back before Genesis 1:1 and we find Lucifer who actually becomes Satan. How did he become Satan? He had to make a choice if he would go with God's program or do his own program. The bible says that he took one-third of the angels with him. So God gave the angels a choice also.

Then we see in Genesis Chapters 1 through 3 The first man and woman God puts on the earth, (Adam and Eve), <u>God gave them a choice</u>. Everyone of them so far made the wrong choice.

In the Old Testament before the law, everybody <u>had to make their own choice</u>. Do they want to part of God's people, the nation of Israel or not.

Now we come up to the crucifixion of Christ. Jesus Christ came to this earth to be the savior of this world. He was the true light that lighteth every man that cometh into the world. What did the world have to do? <u>They had to choose</u>. Some did and some didn't. The majority didn't because they crucified him. Now we are in the church age. We are in a world that is run predominantly by the world system. As a church we have the obligation to take the gospel to people that are out in our world. Now <u>they must make a choice</u> to choose Jesus Christ as their own personal savior or to reject him. <u>Every part of God's creation has to make a choice to be part of God's government when he establishes it.</u>

We are going to be Raptured out any second and God is going to bring in the tribulation period. Do you know what the tribulation period really is? It is God dealing with the nation of Israel and giving them a choice. You either come with me into the kingdom or you take the mark of the beast and stay with him.

Now we are in the millennium. When Christ comes back there will be people with the nations that did not go along with the anti-Christ. Most people think the anti-Christ will have the whole world in his grasp and that is not true. The whole world will feel his influence, but his main goal is the Middle East, Jerusalem, and the nation of Israel. Just look at history for the past six thousand years. There will be places where the anti-Christ has not penetrated, like he will in the Middle East. When Christ comes back many of these nations (Zech 14) are going to go into the millennium, but these people have not made their own personal choice yet. Now they are faced with a choice. Do I really like this righteous reign or do I not? God has to give these people a choice. The way he does it is Satan has been bound for a thousand years and will be lose for a little season. He will find people that don't want to choose God's kingdom. They go up against Jerusalem and fire comes down out of heaven and they get devoured. In Revelation 20:10-11 when the fire comes down from heaven it explodes, and the next event will be the great white throne judgment. Revelation 20:10-11 And the devil that deceived them was cast into the lake of fire and brimstone, where the beast and the false prophet [are], and shall be tormented day and night for ever and ever. 11. And I saw a great white throne, and him that sat on it, from whose face the earth and the heaven fled away; and there was found no place for them. After this, God is satisfied that everyone has made their choice and off we go into eternity!

## IV. Verse 3 Doctrinally Like a tree planted by the rivers of water....

Look at Psalms 1:3 *And he shall be like a tree planted by the rivers of water*. Doctrinally the man here that is liken to a tree and that will be the nation of Israel.

#### Key word "planted"

Israel is liken to a fig tree (Matthew 24). Also they are liken to the olive tree, but today we will stay with the fig tree. In the Old Testament Israel was the fig tree that did not bear any fruit. When Christ comes out in the New Testament and sees the fig tree that bears no fruit, he curses that fig tree. That is a <u>picture of Israel at the time of Christ not bearing any fruit</u>. And they bear the curse of God which gets fulfilled in the tribulation. Now Israel is planted back in the land (Jerusalem) and we see the fulfilment of the promises given to Abraham all the way back in Genesis.

We are in the 21st century and it is the greatest century to be alive in. We are living in the last few seconds of the church age before God opens up and replants the nation of Israel.

It all started with the Zionist movement. Keep in mind for over 4,000 years Israel was without a homeland. But she has to be in the homeland for Christ to come back at the 2<sup>nd</sup> coming. We look all the way back in the 1880's which we call in history the Zionist movement (meaning Israel). During that time God created a great sympathy for Israel not having a homeland. We see in time God got that Jew back in the land.

If you have access to the History channel, there are three videos you need to see. They are called Apocalypse WWI. I have never seen anything more clearly show what God was doing from 1880 up to WWI. The 21<sup>st</sup> century is an incredible century because it is leading us to be on the verge of going home to be with the Lord Jesus.

In WWI God reshaped the whole land of Europe. It was at the end of WWI that the Balfour Declaration gets put forth. England said we need to give the land back to the Jew. But the Jew was not ready to go back. So God had to bring WWII in and after Adolph Hitler killed about eight million of them, the Jew goes back. WWII ended in 1945 and Israel became a nation in 1948. In 1948 God planted them back in the land!

A book you should read given the time we are living in and everything being revealed to us, is called "<u>The Day After Roswell</u>" by Col. Philip Corso (Ret.). Talk about pulling it all together! It's unbelievable!

We saw now in 1948 the fig tree budded. A couple of Thursday nights ago I showed you the feasts. During those seven months that the feast of trumpets, the blowing of the trumpets was the gathering of the nation of Israel. Time frame 1948.

### A.) Don't Get Caught Up in the Smokescreen

Don't get caught up in the smokescreen. The reason why so many of God's people are in a fog in their life when it comes to the Bible and God, is because they don't have a King James 1611 Authorized Version. You can't see anything around us in the 21<sup>st</sup> century because it's a <u>smokescreen</u> of misinformation to keep us from really seeing what is going on around us. I'm not a conspiracy theorist, so don't think Bob's gone off the deep end. No, I am a bible believer. I deal with the facts and my facts come from the word of God.

In 1945 at the end of WWII God began a major movement to plant Israel back in the land and put an end to the times of the Gentiles in the next 40,50,60 years. God moved in 1948, Israel is now a nation. Then the devil moved to cover it up. I know what I am saying is true because if you really saw it and understood it, we wouldn't live our lives the way we do. We live our lives like we're going to live forever, like we have all the time in the world. We live our lives with no sense of urgency. If you could ever get the smoke cleared out of your vision you would see the warning lights and sirens going off all over this planet.

After 1948 we got into the Cold War. The Cold War was a war with Russia that never turned hot in conflict and the fear was communism taking over the world. It was a <u>smokescreen</u>.

Then we had Korea in the 50's, then Vietnam in the 60's and 70's. All a <u>smokescreen</u>. Sure it was a real war, thousands of people died, but it was a cover-up. In the 1980's up to 2023 we have the Gulf War, then Iraq and Afghanistan. We had 911 and now we have the border crisis. Today, people are worried about Russia invading Ukraine or about China invading Taiwan. We look at all these nations and America is losing her place on the world stage. It's all a <u>smokescreen</u>.

My favorite movie to clear up the smoke is "The Wizard of Oz". We watched it many times with our kids, and it is a great example of how the world will impact your kids more than the church will. After watching the movie, the next week I could hear my little sweeties singing "we're off to see the wizard, the wonderful Wizard of Oz, because, because, because". They watched the movie one time and they had all the songs down! But we had to work two or three weeks to get them to learn a memory verse. Your kids will pick up the world faster than they will the word of God.

Second thing I learned. Dorothy is in a make-believe land following a yellow brick road to the Emerald City. If that isn't a picture of a child of God trying to walk the yellow brick road to get to New Jerusalem, I don't know what it is. In her journey she had a wicked witch try and stop her and three other guys, the Tin man, the Scarecrow and the Lion.

So she is on her way to the Emerald City and all kinds of obstacles come to try and stop her. She finally gets there to see the wizard and she can't find him. You know who figures it out? It is Toto. If Toto the little dog can figure it out, well I look at myself as a dog. So this old dog ought to be able to figure it out. Everybody is looking around and they have bought the <u>smokescreen</u>. Lightening and thunder is going off and you hear a big booming voice. Toto is over there pulling the curtain and the curtain starts to go back and you see some guy was orchestrating the whole thing. He says pay no attention to that man behind that curtain as Toto pulls back the curtain. You know what the world has told every one of us? Pay no attention to the guy that's behind the curtain who is really pulling the strings of what God is doing, so we can't see it. This whole thing is a <u>smoke screen</u> to get you worried and focused on everything, so you'll miss what God is really doing.

#### B.) Israel the Fig Tree Planted by Rivers of Water

Matthew 21 gives us a history of God establishing Israel into his kingdom and it tells us that <u>Israel was a fig tree that was supposed to bear fruit</u> in the Old Testament. But she (Israel) didn't and then as you go down through that story in verse 34 it says when the time of the fruit drew near and God sent the Old Testament prophets, she (Israel) killed them. Every one of them. What you are seeing today in Psalms 1:1-3 is a millennial Psalm that shows you what God is getting ready to do, plant Israel back in the land. <u>After the tribulation and in the millennium is where she (Israel) will finally bear her fruit</u>. This tree is planted by the rivers of water. This will be the man that is found in the book of Ezekiel. Ezekiel chapters 40-48 are the eight greatest chapters in your bible on describing the millennial reign of Christ.

#### Breakdown of the Book of Ezekiel:

- > Chapters 1-35 deal with God's judgment on the nations during the tribulation
  - Chapter 1-24 deal with God's judgment to Isarel
  - Chapter 25-35 deal with the Gentile nations
  - Chapter 25 is the Ammonites
  - Chapter 26-28 Tyre
  - Chapter 29-34 is Egypt
  - Chapter 35 Edomites
- Chapter 36 Moves to Israel planted back in the land, established, planted by the rivers of water
- Chapter 37 Regathering of Israel 1880-1948
- > Chapter 38-39 Tribulation period, the battle of Armageddon and the 2<sup>nd</sup> coming of Christ
- > Chapter 40-41 Millennium and the establishment of the millennial Temple
- > Chapter 42 Establishment of the millennial Tabernacle
- Chapter 43 Establishment and importance of the Eastern Gate in the millennium. Which we already know is the end route of the second coming of Christ
- > Chapter 44 Millennium gate for the prison
- > Chapter 45 Lord's portion of the land being divided up around the temple
- > Chapter 46 Sanctuary laid out in the Holy Oblation
- > Chapter 47 The River of God that flows out of the sanctuary
- > Chapter 48 Dividing of the land of the twelve tribes in the millennium

### C.) Planted by the Rivers of Water

The next three events that concern you and me will be the Rapture of this church, then we will move into the tribulation period which lasts for seven years. God is dealing with Israel and then comes the second coming of Christ. Next, God establishing his government, the millennial reign of Christ for one thousand years. It is during this time (Ezekiel 40-48) that the temple gets built and Christ now sits on the throne as King. David sits on the throne as Prince and out of God's throne comes a rivers of water (Ezekiel 47). This will be the water of Psalms 1:3, "*and he shall be like a tree planted by the rivers of water*". We know that the Holy Spirit of God and the word of God in the bible is a picture of water. Now the water comes out of the throne of God. This river comes out and heads south, goes into the Dead Sea and everything comes alive there. Then it goes down into the desert and this is where the bible says it blooms like a rose. Because it becomes the Garden of Eden again. It then turns to the West and goes into the Mediterranean Sea. The Bible says from there the water from God under the throne of God symbolically goes to the whole Earth. Wherever it goes it brings life.

Ezekiel 47:8-9 Then said he unto me, These waters issue out toward the east country, and go down into the desert, and go into the sea: [which being] brought forth into the sea, the waters shall be healed. 9. And it shall come to pass, [that] every thing that liveth, which moveth, whithersoever the rivers shall come, shall live: and there shall be a very great multitude of fish, because these waters shall come thither: for they shall be healed; and every thing shall live whither the river cometh.

That river is a picture of the Holy Spirit of God going to the ends of the earth in the millennium.

Isaiah 35:1-2 The wilderness and the solitary place shall be glad for them; and the desert shall rejoice, <u>and blossom as the rose</u>. 2. It shall blossom abundantly, and rejoice even with joy and singing: the glory of Lebanon shall be given unto it, the excellency of Carmel and Sharon, they shall see the glory of the LORD, [and] the excellency of our God.

Every place that water goes brings life and this is where the whole earth gets healed. If you look at Isaiah 11:6-9 you see the fulfillment of Romans 8:21 because it says in

Isaiah 11:6-9 The wolf also shall dwell with the lamb, and the leopard shall lie down with the kid; and the calf and the young lion and the fatling together; and a little child shall lead them. 7. And the cow and the bear shall feed; their young ones shall lie down together: and the lion shall eat straw like the ox. 8. And the sucking child shall play on the hole of the asp, and the weaned child shall put his hand on the cockatrice' den. 9. They shall not hurt nor destroy in all my holy mountain: for the earth shall be full of the knowledge of the LORD, as the waters cover the sea.

This is a fulfillment of *Romans 8:21 Because <u>the creature itself also shall be delivered from the</u> <u>bondage of corruption</u> into the glorious liberty of the children of God. Even the animals are under the bondage of the corruption, but they're going to get delivered when Christ establishes his government. The whole earth is healed!* 

Psalm 1:3 And he shall be like a tree planted by the rivers of water, that bringeth forth his fruit in his season. We sing "there is a river that flows by the throne of God". That's the river that I lay down my burden by-down by the riverside. That's the river we sing about in "shall we gather at the river". Along that riverbank in Ezekiel 47 there will be trees planted on both sides

*Ezekiel 47:7 Now when I had returned, behold, at the bank of the river [were] very many trees on the one side and on the other.* These trees represent the nation of Israel planted in God's land, Jerusalem and now bearing the fruit she never bore in the Old Testament and in the millennium through the waters of the rivers of God. Through the Holy Spirit of God, she now bears that fruit in her season. Israel is rooted and draws her strength from the water of God, a picture of the Holy Spirit. Hold on to that thought because I'm going to pound it into you inspirationally next week. The greatest way to lay out Chapter 40-48 is a book called <u>Dispensational Truth by Clarence Larkin</u>. On pages 92-95 he charted it out where it is easy to understand.

D.) His leaf also shall not wither.....

The last part of Psalms 1:3 "his leaf also shall not wither; and whatsoever he doeth shall prosper". **Key word here will be "leaf".** The leaf of the fig tree in Mark 11:12-25. The fig tree had withered leaves and God curses that fig tree, a picture of Israel not bearing fruit. But in Matthew 24 we have the prophetic prophecy of the parable of the fig tree. In verse 30 *And then shall appear the sign of the Son of man in heaven: and then shall all the tribes of the earth mourn, and they shall see the Son of man coming in the clouds of heaven with power and great glory. 31. And he shall send his angels with a great sound of a trumpet, and they shall gather together his elect from the four winds, from one end of heaven to the other. (2<sup>nd</sup> coming of Christ).* 

32. (Watch the Millennium prophecy) Now learn a parable of the fig tree; When his branch is yet tender, and putteth forth leaves, ye know that summer [is] nigh: 33. So likewise ye, when ye shall see all these things, know that it is near, [even] at the doors. 34. Verily I say unto you, This generation shall not pass, till all these things be fulfilled.

That fig tree put forth its leaves in 1948 and now you are told that generation will not die off before you see all these things. Those things are the second coming of Christ (it is near, even at the door).

A couple of weeks ago we talked about race, that's the big issue today. I told you when it comes to race, it's <u>a smokescreen</u>. The biggest racist you ever saw in the history of the world is God the Father, for he picked one nation to be superior over all the other nations.

Any nation that has the blessing of God isn't because God picked them to be his nation, it's because they honored the word of God and with the word of God blessings of God come. For he told us in Isaiah 40:15-17 *Behold, the nations [are] as a drop of a bucket, and are counted as the small dust of the balance: behold, he taketh up the isles as a very little thing.* Then he says in verse 17 of the same chapter, "*All nations before him [are] as nothing; and they are counted to him less than nothing, and vanity*". That's God's take on every Gentile nation that ever existed on this planet, including the USA. <u>Because God's chosen people, the nation of Israel</u>.

The smoke screen today is to bury Israel as far as we can so nobody can see what God is doing with them. <u>The nation of Israel will rule the world in God's government and every Gentile</u> nation will bow their knee to the King of Kings and Lord of Lords.

Now you should understand how the book of Psalms is one of the greatest books in the Bible. Yes, it has a historical and yes it has a practical, but YES it has a doctrinal and you saw it today, a millennial Psalm.

Psalms is a great book for today and my prayer is to help you all get it down and into your life.