"Delighting in God" Psalm 37:1-6

Community



Mission

Service

Scripture

"It's the interception of entropy."



- A. Meaning of the word
- B. Delighting in Someone

Do I really delight in God?

"Worship is a way of *gladly* reflecting back to God the radiance of His worth."

"Worship is authentic when affections for God arise in the heart as an end in themselves."

- John Piper

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Psalms73:1-3

God certainly is good to Israel,
To those who are pure in heart!
But as for me, my feet came close to stumbling,
My steps had almost slipped.
For I was envious of the arrogant
As I saw the prosperity of the wicked.

Things like sex, power, money, and success—as well as favorable circumstances—act like spiritual sugar. Christians who have these spiritual candies may say, "Sure, I believe in God and I know I'm going to heaven," but they're actually basing their day-to-day joy on favorable circumstances. When the circumstances change, it drives us to God, because when the sugar disappears, when the candy gets taken away, we're forced to pursue the feast that our souls really crave. We'll hunger for the spiritual nutrients we really need.

"If God contains the fullness of all good things in himself like an inexhaustible fountain, nothing beyond him is to be sought by those who strike after the highest good and all the elements of happiness." - John Calvin

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Isaiah 58:13,14

"If because of the sabbath, you turn your foot From doing your *own* pleasure on My holy day, And call the sabbath a delight, the holy *day* of the LORD honorable, And honor it, desisting from your *own* ways, From seeking your *own* pleasure And speaking *your own* word,

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you will take delight in the LORD, And I will make you ride on the heights of the earth; And I will feed you *with* the heritage of Jacob your father, For the mouth of the LORD has spoken."

Savor: "to enjoy something unhurriedly"

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Psalm 73:25

Whom have I in heaven *but You*? And besides You, I desire nothing on earth.

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- A. Soul is Satisfied
- B. God is Glorified in your life

"God is most glorified in me when I am most satisfied in Him." - John Piper

"The enjoyment of God is the only happiness with which our souls can be satisfied.... Fathers and mothers, husbands, wives, or children, or the company of earthly friends are but shadows, but enjoyment of God is the substance. These are but scattered beams, but God is the sun. These are but streams, but God is the fountain. These are but drops, but God is the ocean."

- Jonathan Edwards