<sup>1</sup>O, *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; <sup>2</sup>but his delight is in the law of the LORD, and on His law he meditates day and night. <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.

but the way of the wicked will perish.

<sup>4</sup>The wicked are not so, but are **like chaff** that the wind drives away. <sup>5</sup>Therefore the wicked will not <u>stand</u> in the judgment, nor <u>sinners</u> in the congregation of the righteous <sup>6</sup>For the LORD knows the way of the <u>righteous</u>, 2 types of people
2 images of those people
2 sections of explanation of both
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#### Genre and Structure

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### **Genre and Structure**

Blessed Man	Wicked Man
Law of God	Counsel of the wicked
Tree	Chaff
Yielding Fruit	Withering
Planted	Blown away by the wind
Belonging to God	Not belonging to cong.
Righteous	Sinners
Known	Perishing

#### Purpose

To Create a Stark Contrast

To Have Us Examine Our Trajectory

To Have Us Check Our Affections

# To Create a Stark Contrast

No Neutrality with God

But Not Us vs Them

# To Examine our Trajectory

Don't End Up in a Roadside Ditch

Or like a Frog in a Kettle

#### To Check our Affections

To Love the Law of Love

To Experience the Blessing Giver