

Psalms of Summer

## ***Two Paths***

### ***Psalm 1***

June 2, 2019

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When you come to a fork in the road, choose the right path...

The path of the blessed (vs. 1-3)

The path of the world (vs. 4-5)

### **Thoughts for discussion...**

The Bible seems to draw a fine line between associating with people who do not believe in God and living like they do. How do we live among non-Christians, shining a light into the darkness, without taking on their beliefs or ungodly practices?

The concept of “righteousness” can be a lot to chew on. What’s the difference being the righteousness Christ gives to us on account of faith in His work (sometimes described as “justification”), and the righteousness we are called to live with daily (also known as “sanctification”)? Some verses that may help are Romans 3:21-26 and Romans 6:15-23.

The Psalmist makes a strong case for the consistent, continual Bible study (see vs. 2-3). What are the benefits of time spent in God’s Word?

Someone once said, “You can slip into sin, but not into righteousness.” We must be intentional if we want to grow in spiritual disciplines. What are some practical ways you can build Bible reading into your personal and family rhythm?

Is your spiritual growth dependent upon you or God’s Spirit? Explain your answer.

Thank God that it is faith alone in the life, death and resurrection of Jesus that makes you righteous. Pray for the ability to believe this if you have not already.

Ask God to help you “delight” in Him daily, which will motivate you to spend time in prayer, studying His Word and living on mission for Jesus by serving others and sharing His message.