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Cornerstone Church  
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**Main point: The self-made man will eventually perish, but the God-trusting man will flourish forever**

- 1 - The Path of worldly gain
  - a. The climb
  - b. The fall
- 2 - The path of eternal flourishing
  - a. God's steadfast love
  - b. Waiting with the saints

**#1 :**

“Verse 5 pictures a building demolished, its bits and pieces raked together, and the whole thing carted away.”

Alec Moyer

**#2 :**

Romans 3:12-13

“All have turned aside; together they have become worthless;  
no one does good,  
not even one.”

“Their throat is an open grave;  
they use their tongues to deceive.”

“The venom of asps is under their lips.”

**#3 :**

Psalm 25:10

“All the paths of the LORD are steadfast love and faithfulness.”

**#4 :**

Psalm 36:5

“Your steadfast love O LORD, extends to the heavens, your faithfulness to the clouds.”

**#5 :**

Psalm 63:3

“Because your steadfast love is better than life, my lips will praise you.”

**#6 :**

“God’s ways are mysterious. In our eyes, easier circumstances, fulfilled desires, and greater comfort are what we assume will bring the most joy. But as God’s children, we are being made for another world. In our Father’s love, he works in our sufferings to transform our mortal minds into eternal ones, producing in us a joy that is deeper than this world can give — a joy that often comes through the very things we try to avoid. I can attest to the joy and blessing of growing in endurance, faith, and hope as I’ve come to experience Jesus as more precious than anything this world can give.”

Sarah Walton

**#7 :**

“In the city of God, people love one another and walk on gold, but in the city of man people love gold and walk on one another.”

Augustine