

# How Then Shall We Live?

## Psalm 101

6/23/24

**Ephesians 4:13** “Until we all reach unity in the faith and in the knowledge of the Son of God and become mature, attaining to the whole measure of the fullness of Christ.”

### 1. We should sing and praise God daily.

**\*\*Psalm 101:1** “I will sing of your love and justice; to you, O LORD, I will sing praise.”

**1 Chronicles 16:9** “Sing to him, sing praise to him; tell of all his wonderful acts.”

**Psalm 89:1** “I will sing of the LORD’s great love forever; with my mouth I will make your faithfulness known through all generations.”

**Ephesians 5:19-20** “Speak to one another with psalms, hymns and spiritual songs. Sing and make music in your heart to the Lord, always giving thanks to God the Father for everything, in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ.”

### 2. We should have a blameless heart and life.

**\*\*Psalm 101:2** “I will be careful to lead a blameless life – when will you come to me? I will walk in my house with blameless heart.”

**Genesis 6:9** “This is the account of Noah. Noah was a righteous man, blameless among the people of his time, and he walked with God.”

**Job 1:1** “In the land of Uz there lived a man whose name was Job. This man was blameless and upright; he feared God and shunned evil.”

**Genesis 17:1** “When Abram was ninety-nine years old, the LORD appeared to him and said, ‘I am God Almighty; walk before me and be blameless.’”

### 3. We should focus on God and hate what He hates.

**\*\*Psalm 101:3** “I will set before my eyes no vile thing. The deeds of faithless men I hate; they will not cling to me.”

**Hebrews 12:2** “Let us fix our eyes on Jesus, the author and perfecter of our faith, who for the joy set before him endured the cross, scorning its shame, and sat down at the right hand of the throne of God.”

**Colossians 3:2** “Set your minds on things above, not on earthly things.”

**Romans 12:9** “Love must be sincere. Hate what is evil; cling to what is good.”

#### **4. We should flee from all evil.**

**\*\*Psalm 101:4** “Men of perverse heart shall be far from me; I will have nothing to do with evil.”

**2 Corinthians 6:14-18** “Do not be yoked together with unbelievers. For what do righteousness and wickedness have in common? Or what fellowship can light have with darkness? What harmony is there between Christ and Belial? What does a believer have in common with an unbeliever? What agreement is there between the temple of God and idols? For we are the temple of the living God. As God has said: ‘I will live with them and walk among them, and I will be their God, and they will be my people. Therefore come out from them and be separate, says the Lord. Touch no unclean thing, and I will receive you. I will be a Father to you, and you will be my sons and daughters, says the Lord Almighty.’”

#### **5. We should not tolerate slander or the proud.**

**\*\*Psalm 101:5** “Whoever slanders his neighbor in secret, him will I put to silence; whoever has haughty eyes and a proud heart, him will I not endure.”

**James 3:5-6** “Likewise the tongue is a small part of the body, but it makes great boasts. Consider what a great forest is set on fire by a small spark. The tongue also is a fire, a world of evil among the parts of the body. It corrupts the whole person, sets the whole course of his life on fire, and is itself set on fire by hell.”

**Psalm 50:19-20** “You use your mouth for evil and harness your tongue to deceit. You speak continually against your brother and slander your own mother’s son.”

**1 Peter 5:5** “Young men, in the same way be submissive to those who are older. All of you, clothe yourselves with humility toward one another, because, ‘God opposes the proud but gives grace to the humble.’”

#### **6. We should surround ourselves with faithful friends.**

**\*\*Psalm 101:6** “My eyes will be on the faithful in the land, that they may dwell with me; he whose walk is blameless will minister to me.”

**Proverbs 17:17** “A friend loves at all times, and a brother is born for adversity.”

**Proverbs 18:24** “A man of many companions may come to ruin, but there is a friend who sticks closer than a brother.”

#### **7. We should be people of truth and the Word.**

**\*\*Psalm 101:7** “No one who practices deceit will dwell in my house; no one who speaks falsely will stand in my presence.”

**Psalm 31:5** “Into your hands I commit my spirit; redeem me, O LORD, the God of truth.”

**John 14:6** “I am the way and the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me.”

**John 17:17** “Sanctify them by the truth; your word is truth.”

**John 16:13** “But when he, the spirit of truth, comes, he will guide you into all truth.”

**Colossians 2:6-8** “So then, just as you received Christ Jesus as Lord, continue to live in him, rooted and built up in him, strengthened in the faith as you were taught, and overflowing with thankfulness. See to it that no one takes you captive through hollow and deceptive philosophy, which depends on human tradition and the basic principles of this world rather than on Christ.”

#### **8. We should live our lives in such a way that men would praise God.**

**\*\*Psalm 101:8** “Every morning I will put to silence all the wicked in the land; I will cut off every evildoer from the city of the LORD.”

**James 5:20** “Remember this: Whoever turns a sinner from the error of his way will save him from death and cover over a multitude of sins.”

**Matthew 5:16** “In the same way, let your light shine before men, that they may see your good deeds and praise your Father in heaven.”