"Who are We Walking With?" **Psalm 1:1-6**

I. Everyone is either walking a path of godliness or ungodliness.

- A. The <u>saved</u> person is someone who is pursuing godliness.
- B. The <u>lost</u> person is someone who is pursuing ungodliness.

(Psalm 119:15-16; 24; 34-35; 77; Matthew 12:30)

II. The godly person is careful to pursue righteousness (vs. 1-3).

- A. The godly person is careful who he walks with.
- B. The godly person delights in the word of God.
- C. The godly person has a firm foundation on which to live his life.

(Proverbs 2:6-12a, 20-21; 4:14-19; 27:17; Ephesians 4:11-16)

III. The ungodly person is content to live life in unrighteousness (vs. 4-6).

- A. The ungodly person does not have a firm planting.
- B. The ungodly person does not live a life <u>pleasing</u> to God.
- C. The ungodly person will <u>perish</u>.

(Proverbs 14:12)

Scripture References and Notes

Matthew 12:30

He who is not with Me is against Me, and he who does not gather with Me scatters abroad.

stands [עָמֵר] (amad)]

• to take one's stand, stand

"When men are living in sin they go from bad to worse. At first they merely *walk* in the counsel of the careless and *ungodly*, who forget God – the evil is rather practical than habitual – but after that, they become habituated to evil, and they *stand* in the way of open sinners who wilfully violate God's commandments; and if let along, they go one step further, and become themselves pestilent teachers and tempters of others, and thus they *sit in the seat of the scornful*. They have taken their degree in vice, and as true Doctors of Damnation they are installed, and are looked up to by others as Masters in Belial."

- Charles Spurgeon, *The Treasury of David*.

Proverbs 27:17

As iron sharpens iron, So a man sharpens the countenance of his friend.

delight [(chephets) [חֱבֶּץ [

• delight, pleasure

Psalm 119:15-16; 24; 34-35; 77

- ¹⁵ I will meditate on Your precepts, And contemplate Your ways. ¹⁶ I will delight myself in Your statutes; I will not forget Your word.
- ²⁴ Your testimonies also *are* my delight *And* my counselors.
- ³⁴ Give me understanding, and I shall keep Your law; Indeed, I shall observe it with *my* whole heart. ³⁵ Make me walk in the path of Your commandments, For I delight in it.
- ⁷⁷ Let Your tender mercies come to me, that I may live; For Your law *is* my delight.

Proverbs 2:6-12a: 20-21

⁶ For the LORD gives wisdom; From His mouth *come* knowledge and understanding; ⁷ He stores up sound wisdom for the upright; *He is* a shield to those who walk uprightly; ⁸ He guards the paths of justice, And preserves the way of His saints. ⁹ Then you will understand righteousness and justice, Equity *and* every good path. ¹⁰ When wisdom enters your heart, And knowledge is pleasant to your soul, ¹¹ Discretion will preserve you; Understanding will keep you, ¹² To deliver you from the way of evil, From the man who speaks perverse things,

 20 So you may walk in the way of goodness, And keep *to* the paths of righteousness. 21 For the upright will dwell in the land, And the blameless will remain in it;

Proverbs 4:14-19

¹⁴ Do not enter the path of the wicked, And do not walk in the way of evil. ¹⁵ Avoid it, do not travel on it; Turn away from it and pass on. ¹⁶ For they do not sleep unless they have done evil; And their sleep is taken away unless they make *someone* fall. ¹⁷ For they eat the bread of wickedness, And drink the wine of violence. ¹⁸ But the path of the just *is* like the shining sun, That shines ever brighter unto the perfect day. ¹⁹ The way of the wicked *is* like darkness; They do not know what makes them stumble.

Ephesians 4:11-16

¹¹ And He Himself gave some *to be* apostles, some prophets, some evangelists, and some pastors and teachers, ¹² for the equipping of the saints for the work of ministry, for the edifying of the body of Christ, ¹³ till we all come to the unity of the faith and of the knowledge of the Son of God, to a perfect man, to the measure of the

stature of the fullness of Christ; ¹⁴ that we should no longer be children, tossed to and fro and carried about with every wind of doctrine, by the trickery of men, in the cunning craftiness of deceitful plotting, ¹⁵ but, speaking the truth in love, may grow up in all things into Him who is the head--Christ-- ¹⁶ from whom the whole body, joined and knit together by what every joint supplies, according to the effective working by which every part does its share, causes growth of the body for the edifying of itself in love.

Proverbs 14:12

There is a way that seems right to a man, But its end is the way of death.

^{*}Unless otherwise noted, all Scriptures are from the New King James Version.

^{*}You may access the sermon outline on the church website at https://www.firstbaptistcp.com/sermon-archive/.