Now, let's put the verses all together:

## REVIEW

Psalm 1:1-6 – "Oh, the joys of those who do not follow the advice of the wicked, or stand around with sinners, or join in with mockers. But they delight in the law of the LORD, meditating on it day and night. They are like trees planted along the riverbank, bearing fruit each season. Their leaves never wither, and they prosper in all they do. But not the wicked! They are like worthless chaff, scattered by the wind. They will be condemned at the time of judgment. Sinners will have no place among the godly. For the LORD watches over the path of the godly, but the path of the wicked leads to destruction."

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Matthew 6:33 – "Seek the Kingdom of God above all else, and live righteously, and He will give you everything you need."

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"ROAR" (that's lion for "Well done!")
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"Psalm 1." Well done!
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# PSALM 1



God's Word, the Bible, tells us how to be truly happy and how to please God. Psalm 1 is one of many passages that talk about this.

MEMORIZE
Psalm 1:1 – "Oh, the joys of those who do not follow the advice of the wicked, or stand around with sinners, or join in with mockers."
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Mocker: someone who laughs at or is hurtful to others

Who we choose to have as our good friends is important. As the verses above talk about, our good friends should be people who love God and love others, not people who don't care about God and like to hurt other people.

Who are your three closest friends?	
1	
2	
3	

Do these three help you to be a better person? YES NO

Not only do followers of God choose their closest friends wisely...

### MEMORIZE

Psalm 1:2-3 – "But they delight in the law of the LORD, meditating on it day and night. They are like trees planted along the riverbank, bearing fruit each season. Their leaves never wither, and they prosper in all they do."

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To "delight in the law of the LORD" is to choose to enjoy God's Word, the Bible. It's choosing to see how much God loves the world and His people, and choosing to see the instructions He gives us as ways to help us to be happy, and to please Him.

Meditating means to think about what the Bible says, and to think about it some more. Think of a dog chewing on a bone. It carries that bone around, chewing and chewing and chewing on it. It enjoys it, just like we are meant to enjoy, to meditate on God's Word.



Do you have a Bible?	YES	NO
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If you don't, would you like one? YES NO

If you have a Bible, do you read it? YES NO



God promises that if we choose our friends wisely and choose to read His Word, taking delight in it, we will be truly happy, and we will please God. We will be like a tree planted beside a river. Even if there's a drought (hard times in life), we will be better than ok. We will thrive!

#### MEMORIZE

Psalm 1:4-5 – "But not the wicked! They are like worthless chaff, scattered by the wind. They will be condemned at the time of judgment. Sinners will have no place among the godly."

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The godly love and obey God. They are like trees, planted by the water, thriving even during tough times. But not the wicked. They don't care about God. The wicked are like chaff. Chaff surrounds a kernel of grain. Once that kernel is ready for harvest, the needed. If chaff is no longer you've ever seen a

combine in the fields, the chaff is what comes out of the back of the combine. As the Bible says, chaff is worthless. The good news is that God tells us how to be a healthy tree, and not lifeless chaff.

#### **MEMORIZE**

Psalm 1:6 – "For the LORD watches over the path of the godly, but the path of the wicked leads to destruction."

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God blesses those who love and obey Him. This doesn't mean that nothing hard ever happens to them. But it does mean that God is close to them, walking with them in life, giving them strength and peace for every moment, whether that moment is good or hard. And, as verse 1 says, God will give them His joy!