

# **Principles to cultivate a blessed life**

An in-depth study of Psalm 112(Part-4) on 25.5.2014

**Ps:112Verse1c** (Who delight greatly in His commandments))

The word delight as **noun** means: ecstasy, enjoyment, pleasure, gladness, joy and happiness. As **verb** it means: amuse, charm, cheer, rejoice, thrill, satisfy etc. Other derivatives are Delightful, Delighted

So we can say that it means: experiencing joy, pleasure, happiness and gratification, through relationship and/or achievement. In our reference of Scripture, it would mean relationship with triune God through His Word.

When we set our heart & mind to draw pleasure, joy and satisfaction by reading and understanding the Bible and by obeying the commandments given by God himself and His Son Jesus Christ, our whole being (spirit, soul and body) is delighted. Vice versa, the triune God also delights in us. In the Bible, there are at least **4 examples** of God

Delighting in Men:    1. Israel (Dt 10:15; Isa 62:4)  
                                  2. David (2-Sam 22:20 ; Ps 18:19)  
                                  3. Solomon (1-Ki 10:9 ; 2-Chr 9:8)  
                                  4. Messiah (Ps 22:8 ; 42:1)

The Bible also tells us that there are at least **6 things** in which God delights in:

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| 1. Just weights (Pr 11:1)             | 2. The upright (Pr 11:20)          |
| 3. They that deal honestly (Pr 12:22) | 4. Prayer of the upright (Pr 15:8) |
| 5. The way of good man (Ps 37:23)     | 6. Mercy (Mic 7:18)                |

Establishing relationship with God and His Son is conditional and stems out of obeying his commandments, Law and orders as recorded in the Scripture. Remember what Jesus said to His disciples in John 15:14,12,10 and 8.

We, the believers need to familiarize ourselves with commandments given in the Bible at various places. Just for your interest & knowledge, there are 2713 commandments in the **Law of Moses** alone, and there are thousands more in all the O.T. Like wise, there are 1050 commandments in the N.T. The commandments are categorized such as: Commandments for Kings, for all men, for sons, for saints: to obey, to worship, to trust God, to hear God, to play music, to be perfect, to pray and so on.

Are not we lucky that Jesus reduced the commandments to only 2 ( Matt 22: 37-40).

These two commandments are good enough to meet the requirements of all the Commandments of the Bible. Of course, the challenge is not all that easy and we need to work towards their fulfillment in our lives.

HOWEVER, to fully understand the depth of the verse 1 of Ps:112, I have researched many commandments and present to you to lift up your faith and strengthen your walk with the Lord.

## **Twenty-two Commands and Admonitions**

1. Do not sleep; be spiritually alive ([1 Thes. 5:6](#)).
2. Watch, be alert for enemies ([1 Thes. 5:6](#)).
3. Let us be sober, not intoxicated ([1 Thes. 5:6-7](#)).
4. Put on the armor of God ([1 Thes. 5:8](#); [Ephes. 6](#)).

5. Comfort one another ([1 Thes. 5:11](#); [1 Thes. 4:18](#)).
6. Edify or build up one another ([1 Thes. 5:11](#)).
7. Know or be kind to ministers ([1 Thes. 5:12](#)).
8. Esteem ministers highly in love ([1 Thes. 5:13](#)).
9. Live in peace among yourselves ([1 Thes. 5:13](#)).
10. Warn the unruly, the disorderly ([1 Thes. 5:14](#)).
11. Console the fainthearted ([1 Thes. 5:14](#)).
12. Sustain the weak, strengthless ([1 Thes. 5:14](#); see note, [1 Cor. 8:10](#)).
13. Be patient with all men ([1 Thes. 5:14](#)).
14. Render evil to no man ([1 Thes. 5:15](#)).
15. Follow that which is good ([1 Thes. 5:15](#)).
16. Rejoice always in all things ([1 Thes. 5:16](#)).
17. Pray always about all things ([1 Thes. 5:17](#)).
18. Give thanks always in all things ([1 Thes. 5:18](#)).
19. Quench not the Spirit ([1 Thes. 5:19](#)).
20. Despise not prophesyings ([1 Thes. 5:20](#)).
21. Test all things; retain the good ([1 Thes. 5:21](#)).
22. Abstain from all appearance of evil, not only from all evil ([1 Thes. 5:22](#)).

### **Ten Commands for Christians**

1. Lift up the hands which hang down ([Hebrews 12:12](#)).
2. Strengthen the feeble knees.
3. Make straight paths for your feet ([Hebrews 12:13](#)).
4. Let the lame be healed.
5. Follow peace with all men ([Hebrews 12:14](#)).
6. Follow holiness.
7. Look diligently lest any man fail of the grace of God ([Hebrews 12:15](#); [Galatians 5:4](#)).
8. Look diligently lest any root of bitterness springing up defile you ([Hebrews 12:15](#)).
9. Look diligently lest you become a fornicator as Esau ([Hebrews 12:16](#)).
10. Look diligently lest you be rejected and find no repentance ([Hebrews 12:16-17](#)).

### **Thirteen Commands ([Galatians 5:25-6:10](#))**

1. Let us walk in the Spirit ([Galatians 5:25](#)).
2. Let us not desire vain glory ([Galatians 5:26](#)).
3. Let us not provoke one another ([Galatians 5:26](#)).
4. Let us not envy one another ([Galatians 5:26](#)).
5. Restore a sinning brother ([Galatians 6:1](#)).
6. Consider self not above falling ([Galatians 6:1](#)).
7. Bear burdens of others ([Galatians 6:2](#)).
8. Test your own work ([Galatians 6:4](#)).
9. Bear your own responsibility ([Galatians 6:5](#)).
10. Support the ministry ([Galatians 6:6](#)).
11. Be not deceived ([Galatians 6:7](#)).
12. Be not weary in well doing ([Galatians 6:9](#)).
13. Do good to all people ([Galatians 6:10](#)).

### **Nine Commands in [Psalm 66](#)**

1. Make a joyful noise unto God ([Psalm 66:1](#)).
2. Sing forth the honor of His name ([Psalm 66:2](#)).

3. Make His praise glorious.
4. Say unto God, How terrible are Your works ([Psalm 66:3](#)).
5. Come and see the works of God ([Psalm 66:5](#)).
6. Let not the rebellious exalt themselves ([Psalm 66:7](#)).
7. Bless our God, you people ([Psalm 66:8](#)).
8. Make the voice of praise to be heard.
9. Come and hear ([Psalm 66:16](#)

### **Seventeen Commands of [Psalm 37](#)**

1. Fret not because of evildoers ([Psalm 37:1](#)).
2. Do not be envious of evilworkers.
3. Trust in the Lord ([Psalm 37:3,5](#)).
4. Do good ([Psalm 37:3,27](#)).
5. Delight yourself in the Lord ([Psalm 37:4](#)).
6. Commit your way unto the Lord ([Psalm 37:5](#)).
7. Rest in the Lord ([Psalm 37:7](#)).
8. Wait patiently for God ([Psalm 37:7,34](#)).
9. Fret not because of prosperity of others.
10. Fret not because of wicked plots against you.
11. Cease from anger ([Psalm 37:8](#)).
12. Forsake wrath.
13. Fret not yourself to do evil.
14. Depart from evil ([Psalm 37:27](#)).
15. Keep His way ([Psalm 37:34](#)).
16. Mark the perfect man ([Psalm 37:37](#)).
17. Behold the upright.

### **Ten Commands in [Isaiah 55](#)**

1. Hearken diligently to Me ([Isaiah 55:2](#)).
2. Eat that which is good.
3. Let your soul delight in fatness.
4. Incline your ear, come to Me ([Isaiah 55:3](#)).
5. Hear, and your soul shall live.
6. Seek the Lord while He may be found ([Isaiah 55:6](#)).
7. Call upon Him while He is near.
8. Let the wicked forsake his way ([Isaiah 55:7](#)).
9. Let the unrighteous forsake his thoughts.
10. Let him return to the Lord.

### **Seven Parting Commands**

1. Withdraw from unruly brothers ([2 Thes. 3:6](#)).
2. Work or don't eat ([2 Thes. 3:11](#)).
3. Work peaceably ([2 Thes. 3:12](#)).
4. Make your own living ([2 Thes. 3:12](#)).
5. Be not weary in well doing ([2 Thes. 3:13](#)).
6. Have no fellowship with rebels ([2 Thes. 3:14](#)).
7. Admonish rebels ([2 Thes. 3:15](#)).

## Commands for Twelve Classes

1. Elderly men ([1 Tim. 5:1](#))
2. Young men ([1 Tim. 5:1](#))
3. Elderly women ([1 Tim. 5:2](#))
4. Young women ([1 Tim. 5:2](#))
5. Elderly widows ([1 Tim. 5:3-10,16](#))
6. Young widows ([1 Tim. 5:11-15](#))
7. Church officers or elders ([1 Tim. 5:17-19](#))
8. Anyone who sins ([1 Tim. 5:20](#))
9. Servants ([1 Tim. 6:1](#))
10. Masters ([1 Tim. 6:2](#))
11. Teachers ([1 Tim. 6:3-5](#))
12. Rich men ([1 Tim. 6:9-10,17-19](#))

## Twenty-one Characteristics of Blessed People.

1. They live undefiled lives ([Psalm 119:1](#)).
2. They walk in God's ways ([Psalm 119:1,3](#)).
3. They keep God's Word ([Psalm 119:2,4,8,17,34,57,60,63,69,88,101,106,115](#)).
4. They seek God with the whole heart ([Psalm 119:2,10](#)).
5. They do not commit iniquity ([Psalm 119:3](#)).
6. They praise God continually ([Psalm 119:7,164,171](#)).
7. They enjoy God's Word ([Psalm 119:14,16,111](#)).
8. They trust God's Word ([Psalm 119:42](#)).
9. They refrain from every evil way ([Psalm 119:101](#)).
10. They incline the heart to obey God ([Psalm 119:112](#)).
11. They hate vain thoughts ([Psalm 119:113](#)).
12. They hate every false way ([Psalm 119:128](#)).
13. They hate and abhor lying ([Psalm 119:163](#)).
14. They are zealous for God ([Psalm 119:113,140](#)).
15. They love the Word of God ([Psalm 119:139](#)).
16. They have great peace ([Psalm 119:165](#)).
17. They permit nothing to offend them ([Psalm 119:165](#)).
18. They preach God's Word ([Psalm 119:46,172](#)).
19. They hope in God and His Word ([Psalm 119:81,114](#)).
20. They meditate in God's Word ([Psalm 119:15,23,48,78,148](#)).
21. They fear God ([Psalm 119:38,63,74,120](#)).

May God help us delight greatly in His commandments.....Amen.