## Psalm 112<sup>-1</sup>

# The Blessedness of the Man Who Fears Yahweh

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## A1 THE BLESSEDNESS OF THE MAN WHO FEARS YAHWEH 112:1

- **B1** The Call to Praise Yahweh (Hallelujah!): {1} Praise the LORD!
- **B2** The Affirmation of Blessedness
  - C1 The statement of the blessing: How blessed is the man who fears the LORD,
  - C2 The definition of fearing Yahweh: Who greatly delights in His commandments.

## A2 THE NATURE AND FOUNDATION OF HIS BLESSINGS 112:2-5

- B1 The Quantity and Quality of His Descendants 112:2
  - C1 The blessing upon his descendants: {2} His descendants will be mighty on earth;
  - C2 The uprightness of their character: The generation of the upright will be blessed.

## **B2** The Success of His Endeavors 112:3

- C1 Material success: {3} Wealth and riches are in his house,
- C2 Eternal spiritual success: And his righteousness endures forever.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Psalm 112 is an acrostic psalm, each line beginning with a new letter of the Hebrew alphabet.

## B3 His Victory over Adversity, Springing from His Upright Character 112:4-5

- C1 The description of his victory: {4} Light arises in the darkness for the upright; 112:4a
- C2 The strength of his character 112:4b-5
  - D1 The gracious ethics of his character: He is gracious and compassionate and righteous. 112:4b
  - D2 His gracious lending 112:5
    - E1 His success: {5} It is well with the man
    - E2 Because of his generosity: who is gracious and lends;
  - D3 His unswerving justice: He will maintain his cause in judgment.

## B4 His Perpetual Security 112:6

- C1 His security: {6} For he will never be shaken;
- C2 His memory: The righteous will be remembered forever.

## B5 His Peace of Mind 112:7

- C1 He is unafraid of bad news: {7} He will not fear evil tidings;
- C2 His confidence because of His faith in Yahweh: His heart is steadfast, trusting in the LORD.

## **B6** His Victory over His Enemies 112:8

- C1 His possession of boldness: {8} His heart is upheld, he will not fear,
- C2 His assurance of success: Until he looks with satisfaction on his adversaries.

### B7 His Ultimate Exaltation 112:9

- C1 Because of his generosity: {9} He has given freely to the poor,
- C2 Because of his enduring righteousness: His righteousness endures forever;
- C3 His exaltation to power and honor: <sup>2</sup> His horn will be exalted in honor.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Psalm 112:9 - power, honor: God created the nation of <u>Israel</u> to be a kingdom of <u>priests</u>. Though the people have most often failed miserably, one day, by the grace of God, they will succeed. The <u>Church</u>, and even <u>Tribulation Saints</u> will also become a kingdom of <u>priests</u>. These will reign with <u>Christ</u> in His coming <u>Kingdom</u>! See Exod. 19:5-6; Rev. 1:5-6; 5:9-10.

#### **A3** THE DEMISE OF THE WICKED 112:10

- **B1** The Vexation of the Wicked at the Success of the Righteous
  - C1 {10} The wicked will see it and be vexed,
  - C2He will gnash his teeth and melt away;
- **B2** The Ultimate Frustration of the Ambitions of the Wicked: The desire of the wicked will perish.

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