

## PRAYING PSALM 112

“Praise the Lord! Blessed is the man who fears the Lord, who delights greatly in His commandments”  
(Psalm 112:1).

This is another acrostic poem. The theme is the man who fears the Lord. 1. THE BLESSINGS OF THE RIGHTEOUS (1-9). His children will be successful (2). They will be wealthy, and their good deeds will not be forgotten (3). They will be like light in the darkness (4). They will be blessed because of their fairness and generosity (5). They will not be overcome by evil (6). They won't fear bad news, because they trust in the Lord (7). They are confident and fearless (8). They give generously to those in need (9). 2. THE JUDGMENT ON THE WICKED (10). The wicked will be infuriated at the blessings of the righteous.

If your life honors the Lord, You can claim His blessings in prayer. The blessings will correspond to your obedience and love for the Lord. Wealth sometimes refers to money, but not always. Some of the wealthiest Christians make a concerted effort to minimize their living, even when they can afford more. Their goal is to live in a modest way in order to support the work of missions and help those in need. One of the most damning heresies in Christendom is the teaching that the Bible encourages Christians to give in order to get. These prosperity preachers fill their pockets with the money of those who give to their ministries. The saints in this psalm are blessed because of their fairness and generosity. The blessed man is a light shining in darkness. When you are blessed financially by the Lord, seek His will to know how to be generous to those in need. The blessed in this psalm spread their blessings to others, rather than hoarding wealth for themselves.