



PSALM 128

Blessed are ALL who fear the LORD, who walk in obedience to him. You will eat the fruit of your labor; blessings and prosperity will be yours. Your wife will be like a fruitful vine within your house; your children will be like olive shoots around your table. Yes, this will be the blessing for the man who fears the LORD. May the LORD bless you from Zion; may you see the prosperity of Jerusalem all the days of your life. May you live to see your children's children— peace be on Israel.

This Psalm follows the previous Psalm in drawing more of a picture of the 'house' that the Lord builds and blesses. The fear of the Lord is the cornerstone of all blessedness. We serve a God of companionship, who desires that families and relationships prosper! This is true of EVERYONE who fears the Lord regardless of condition, age, race or gender.

This blessedness may not always be seen by the carnal mind... but we know that those whom God blesses are blessed indeed. Let us cultivate that holy fear of God -- the fear of reverence, of dread to offend, of earnest desire to please, and of entire submission and obedience. This fear of the Lord is the fit fountain of holy living: we look in vain for holiness apart from it: none but those who fear the Lord will ever walk in his ways. - C. Spurgeon

*God makes blessed those that walk in his ways, because He himself walks with them. This is said concerning David, and it is explained how that companionship blessed him, 2 Samuel 5:10 : "**And David went on, and grew great, and [because] the Lord God of hosts was with him.**" God does indeed join himself to those who walk in his ways as companion and leader: 2 Chronicles 17:3-4 : "**And the Lord was with Jehoshaphat, because he walked in the first ways of his father David, and sought not unto Baalim; but sought to the Lord God of his father.**" –Thomas Le Blanc.*

Prayer/Meditation:

- Ask the Lord to pour out upon us [Global Watch family] the "Spirit of the Fear of the Lord" (Is. 11:2)
- Tell the Lord you want to walk in His ways, asking Him for His companionship and submitting to His leadership in your life.
- For each one coming to the Herrnhut Gathering pray blessing and favour over them and their families. Pray for their prosperity, health and well-being.
- Pray that the Lord would raise up more godly families in our nations - Psalm 68:6 says that God sets the lonely in families. Pray that abandoned & orphaned children would be placed in godly homes.

Abba, we thank you that you are a Good Father who walks with us, who counsels us, and teaches us the fear of the Lord (Psalm 34:11). We thank you that you care about all our relationships, especially with family members. Please show us Your Ways in all our relationships that we might prosper and bring you glory, all the days of our lives (Psalm 25:4). Holy Spirit, as we prepare for the gathering in Herrnhut, please knit our hearts together that we would walk as family, flowing together in the fear of the Lord and in honour of one another. We pray a blessing of peace and prosperity over the Jewish people and ask that you would bless all the families in Israel with the revelation of Jesus as their Messiah. Amen.