

Songs for a Broken World

1. When the Upright get Uptight Psalm 37

- 1. How is Psalm 37 an appropriate song for a broken world? How can we be tempted to *envy the wicked*?
- 2. How do we see the wicked plotting against the righteous today?
- 3. David tells us to redirect our focus and our attention. V3-7 we are taught 5 ways to 'Look up' (look to God). What are they? Out of the 5, which do you tend to find most difficult and why?

4. v11 Is *meekness* the same as weakness? What meek characteristics are found in this psalm? How was Christ meek?

- 5. How is v13 encouraging? (compare Ps 2:4)
- 6. Look ahead and wait the wicked are short-lived. How sure is David of this? What can we learn from his imagery (grass, beauty of the field etc.)



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- 7. v21 How can God's people go through life thinking of giving rather than getting? What practical ways can we give?
- 8. v25 What does David mean here? Will children of the righteous never be in need? What other verses might shed light on this?
- 9. For out of the abundance of the heart the mouth speaks (Matt 12:34) how do Ps 37:30-31 illustrate this truth? How can we put it into practice and be examples of it?
- 10. Does v 35 contradict the rest of the psalm? What might David be suggesting? How can we be careful about our *native soil*?
- 11. Hebrew 12:2 gives us another focus. How did Jesus live out the lessons of this psalm? How is that an encouragement to us?
- 12. What verse is your favourite?