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Happy is the person who finds delight in the Lord and the law. Such a person finds real happiness that could not be traced in any other form. It is in obeying God’s commandments that one finds peace and happiness in all days of his or her life. A person who delights in the Lord and His laws is able to avoid the evil at all times. The righteous people are strong in the lives, and lead a happy life day and night. The wicked suffer for failing to identify with God and abide by the law, and therefore remain to be hurt forever (Wilcock 2001). It is indeed the evil that drives people into getting hurt and therefore failing to find happiness.

Unfortunately, the wicked are never happy. They believe in the guidance of the wicked and in turn become wicked. By not obeying the law, fails to realize the love that he has for his people. People who fail to observe the law and find happiness in God are weak in all that they do. They are unable to stand on their ground. The righteous are compared to the strong trees planted in the river banks that never go dry. The righteous are therefore evergreen and are always giving good fruits. It is in giving the good fruits that the righteous find true happiness. On the other hand, the wicked give rise to bad fruits that are hurting, thus denying them a chance to be happy.

The fate of the righteous is already known by God. There is no way that the way and the fate of the righteous could be bad if it is in the hands of God. On the other hand, the wicked will just perish in the end for their wickedness. True happiness lasts forever. It is definite that the righteous are happy now and will be happy in the future (Wilcock 2001). On the other hand, the Wicked are unhappy now and will be unhappy in the future as they will perish for their sins. The wicked are like the chaff that is prone to the wind. Therefore, they are never strong on their ground. They are easily swayed when problems arise and are unable to find solutions in time. The main reason for all the suffering is the sins that they commit. It is all costly to ignore God and the Laws that He has defined for His people. Indeed, true happiness is found in the delight of God and his laws.

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