Psalm 1:1-6

True Happiness

1 Happy is the person who does not listen to the evil people.
   He does not go where sinners go.
   He does not do what bad people do.
2 Instead, he loves the Always-Present One’s teachings.
   He thinks about God’s teachings day and night.
3 He is strong, like a tree planted beside a river.
   It produces fruit in its season.
   Its leaves don’t die.
   Everything he does will be a success.

4 But evil people are not like that.
   They are like useless chaff that the wind blows away.
5 So, the evil people will not escape God’s punishment.
   Sinners will not gather with righteous people.
6 Why? Because Yahweh knows the way of righteous people.
   But the evil people will be destroyed.