

Psalm 144:15

Authorized King James Version (KJV)

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Analysis

Happy is that people, that is in such a case: yea, happy is that people, whose God is the LORD. After praying for prosperity, David clarifies: ultimate blessing is relationship—**whose God is the LORD**. Material blessings are wonderful, but covenant relationship is foundational. Blessing flows from knowing God.

Historical Context

Echoes Psalm 1:1, 33:12. Israel's blessedness rooted in covenant relationship, not political/economic power, though both could flow from relationship.

Related Passages

1 John 4:8 — God is love

John 15:13 — Greatest form of love

Study Questions

1. How do you maintain proper priority: blessing flows from relationship with God?
2. How do happiness from circumstances versus from knowing God differ?
3. How does this challenge prosperity gospel and asceticism?

Interlinear Text

אָשָׁר	בְּ	עַמּ	בְּ	עַמּ	אָשָׁר	אָשָׁר	בְּ	עַמּ	בְּ	עַמּ
Happy	is that	people	that is in	such a case		Happy	is that	people		
H835		H5971		H3602	H0	H835		H5971		
הַלְּבָבִים	שִׁיחָה	אֱלֹהִים								
is the LORD	whose	God								
H3068		H430								

Additional Cross-References

Psalms 33:12 (References God): Blessed is the nation whose God is the LORD; and the people whom he hath chosen for his own inheritance.

Ephesians 1:3 (References God): Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who hath blessed us with all spiritual blessings in heavenly places in Christ:

Psalms 146:5 (References God): Happy is he that hath the God of Jacob for his help, whose hope is in the LORD his God:

Deuteronomy 33:29 (References Lord): Happy art thou, O Israel: who is like unto thee, O people saved by the LORD, the shield of thy help, and who is the sword of thy excellency! and thine enemies shall be found liars unto thee; and thou shalt tread upon their high places.

Psalms 65:4 (Parallel theme): Blessed is the man whom thou choosest, and causest to approach unto thee, that he may dwell in thy courts: we shall be satisfied with the goodness of thy house, even of thy holy temple.