Refrain: The Lord knows the way of the righteous.

1 Blessed are they who have not walked
in the counsel of the wicked,
nor lingered in the way of sinners,
nor sat in the assembly of the scornful.

2 Their delight is in the law of the Lord
and they meditate on his law day and night.

3 Like a tree planted by streams of water
bearing fruit in due season, with leaves that do not wither,
whatever they do, it shall prosper. [R]

4 As for the wicked, it is not so with them;
they are like chaff which the wind blows away.

5 Therefore the wicked shall not be able to stand in the judgement,
nor the sinner in the congregation of the righteous.

6 For the Lord knows the way of the righteous,
but the way of the wicked shall perish.

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Christ our wisdom,
give us delight in your law,
that we may bear fruits of patience and peace
in the kingdom of the righteous;
for your mercy's sake.

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