

## His Way Is Perfect — 8/25/24

**TEXT** — **Psalms 18:30-31** *As for God, his way is perfect: the word of the LORD is tried: he is a buckler to all those that trust in him. For who is God save the LORD? or who is a rock save our God?*

### INTRO — Perfect — Blameless

The same God who provided for David—the only true and living God—continues to provide for us today. His ways are perfect, even when we face trials. The source of David's strength. "For who is God, but the Lord? And who is a rock, except our God?"

**Psalms 48:14** *For this God is our God for ever and ever: he will be our guide even unto death.*

"This God is my strong refuge."

### I. You Must Be Saved To Know His Perfect Way

His provision won't be enjoyed by everyone. Salvation is only promised to those who trust in His Son, Jesus.

#### A. Jesus wants all men to be saved

**2 Peter 3:9** *The Lord is not slack concerning his promise, as some men count slackness; but is longsuffering to us-ward, not willing that any should perish, but that all should come to repentance.*

**John 3:16-19** *For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life. 17 For God sent not his Son into the world to condemn the world; but that the world through him might be saved. 18 He that believeth on him is not condemned: but he that believeth not is condemned already, because he hath not believed in the name of the only begotten Son of God. 19 And this is the condemnation, that light is come into the world, and men loved darkness rather than light, because their deeds were evil.*

#### B. Jesus is the only way

**Acts 4:12** *Neither is there salvation in any other: for there is none other name under heaven given among men, whereby we must be saved.*

**John 14:6** *Jesus saith unto him, I am the way, the truth, and the life: no man cometh unto the Father, but by me.*

#### C. Broad is the way that leads to destruction

**Matthew 7:13-14** *Enter ye in at the strait gate: for wide is the gate, and broad is the way, that leadeth to destruction, and many there be which go in thereat: 14 Because strait is the gate, and narrow is the way, which leadeth unto life, and few there be that find it.*

Some sing the song, "I did it my way."

**Luke 12:18** *And he said, This will I do: I will pull down my barns, and build greater; and there will I bestow all my fruits and my goods.*

## II. His Perfect Way May Include Trials

### A. Everyone has critics

Critics help us to refine us but they hurt themselves and often become bitter. A critical Spirit should never be our attitude but learning from criticism can make us better.

### B. Trials refine us

All things work together for good.

**Romans 8:28** *And we know that all things work together for good to them that love God, to them who are the called according to his purpose.*

**1 Peter 1:3-12** esp. vs. 6-8 *Wherein ye greatly rejoice, though now for a season, if need be, ye are in heaviness through manifold temptations: 7 That the trial of your faith, being much more precious than of gold that perisheth, though it be tried with fire, might be found unto praise and honour and glory at the appearing of Jesus Christ: 8 Whom having not seen, ye love; in whom, though now ye see him not, yet believing, ye rejoice with joy unspeakable and full of glory:*

He Maketh No Mistake by [A. M. Overton](#)

My Father's way may twist and turn,

My heart may throb and ache,

But in my soul I'm glad I know,

He maketh no mistake.

My cherished plans may go astray,

My hopes may fade away,

But still I'll trust my Lord to lead

For He doth know the way.

Though night be dark and it may seem

That day will never break;

I'll pin my faith, my all in Him,

He maketh no mistake.

There's so much now I cannot see,

My eyesight's far too dim;

But come what may, I'll simply trust

And leave it all to Him.

For by and by the mist will lift

And plain it all He'll make,

Through all the way, though dark to me,

He made not one mistake

## III. Which Is Best – Your Way or God's Way?

### A. God's way is perfect or blameless

**2 Samuel 22:31-33** *As for God, his way is perfect; the word of the LORD is*

tried: he is a buckler to all them that trust in him. 32 For who is God, save the LORD? and who is a rock, save our God? 33 God is my strength and power: and he maketh my way perfect.

### **B. Man's way always fails**

**Judges 21:25** *In those days there was no king in Israel: every man did that which was right in his own eyes.*

And in the midst of that, the people came, remember, asking for a king. They were assuming that if they could only have a king, then all of that chaos would be dealt with. And God gave them a king, Saul. They made a big mistake.

### **C. Satan's failure was pride**

**Isaiah 14:12-15** *How art thou fallen from heaven, O Lucifer, son of the morning! how art thou cut down to the ground, which didst weaken the nations! 13 For thou hast said in thine heart, I will ascend into heaven, I will exalt my throne above the stars of God: I will sit also upon the mount of the congregation, in the sides of the north: 14 I will ascend above the heights of the clouds; I will be like the most High. 15 Yet thou shalt be brought down to hell, to the sides of the pit.*

## **V. You can Turn To God And Follow His Way**

**Luke 15:18** *I will arise and go to my father, and will say unto him, Father, I have sinned against heaven, and before thee,*

### **CONCL -**

Do you want to understand the chaos of our culture? Idolatry. Idolatry starts first with the great idol that is *me*: "It's about *me*. *my* decision. *my* choice. *my* ideas. It's *all* about *me*." No culture can survive that.

### **His Way Is Perfect**

When my way seems dark and drear and the future I don't know,

My heart feels so empty as the tears unending flow.

When my heart breaks with sorrow and a tempest fills my soul,

This one thing I know for sure: my God is in control.

His way is perfect, His way is perfect.

Though I don't understand His wise and loving plan,

His way is perfect. His way is perfect.

Take my life and make a vessel purified.

God makes no mistakes, His way is best.

When the toils of life are come and my heart is worn with care,

I faint 'neath the burden of a cross I cannot bear.

When the joy has departed from my sorrow stricken soul,

This one thing I know for sure: my God is in control.

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