

August 25, 2017 Psalms 16:11 by Robin Harris

I was listening to an online teaching on Resting in the Lord. This verse was highlighted as part of the teaching. It was used to describe the rest we can find in the Lord. I, of course, wanted to dig deeper. As we sat around the table last night, we explored this verse.

Psalms 16:11 Thou wilt shew me the path of life; in thy presence is fulness of joy; at thy right hand *there are* pleasures for evermore.

Shew - from the Hebrew *yada* (H3045) to know, using a great variety of senses - figuratively, literally, euphemistically and inferentially. Like the Greek word *ginosko* - to know through experience.

Path - from the Hebrew *orach* (H734) a well-trodden road, literally or figuratively, also a caravan, a manner, path.

In thy presence - is one Hebrew word *paneh* (H6440) presence is face, before or in front of in the presence of "show one's face" is a sign of pleasure. This is a figure of speech, Anthropopatheia- ascribing human characteristics to God. God doesn't have a face, this is meant to show the Divine.

Fulness - *soba* (H7648) full, satisfying, be satisfied.

Joy - is *simchah* (H8057) blithesomeness or glee, gladness, mirth, pleasure, rejoicing

At thy right hand - is one word, *yamiyn* (H3225) the right hand or right side, meaning the side of blessing

Pleasures - *na'iyim* (H5273) delightful, sweet

Evermore - *netsach* (H5331) a goal, the bright object at a distance travelled toward, splendor, continually, perpetual, also victory, and strength.

When put altogether the verse can be expanded to be,
God would have me to know by experiencing the well-trodden or established road for me to follow for my life. Face to face with God or in His presence, my gladness and joy are satisfied. At God's right hand, the hand that gives blessings, delightful sweet experiences will be mine perpetually, continually and as a goal to travel toward.

In "Robin speak", because I trust in God, He will show me a well-established path to follow or I can follow others who have traveled this path as an example. When I am thinking about God, I am beside Him on His right- the blessed side, I am joyful and can expect these sweet experiences to happen for the rest of my life.