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Summer in the Psalms

Lesson Seven • Psalm 14

The Folly of the Fool

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Only a FOOL denies there is a God.

The fool says in his heart, "There is no God." Psalm 14:1

The Folly of the Fool

1. The Fool <u>REJECTS</u> the Reality of God!

The Fool's Rejection

The fool's rejection of God is a $\underline{\mathsf{HEART}}$ problem, not an intellectual problem (v. 1).

The Fool's Corruption

- ➤ The CHARACTER of the fool: "they are corrupt"
- > The BEHAVIOR of the fool: "they do abominable deeds"
- ➤ The <u>EXTENT</u> of the fool: "there is none who does good"

The Lord's Inspection

God looks down on humanity and finds ALL are corrupted by sin (v. 2-3).

2. The Fool TROUBLES the People of God!

The Fool's Miscalculation

- In spiritual ignorance the fool acts WICKEDLY toward God's people (v. 4).
- When God shows His allegiance the fool will be gripped with <u>TERROR</u> (v. 5-6).

3. The Fool DISREGARDS the Salvation of God!

The Righteous' Longing

The righteous long for the great day of <u>SALVATION</u> to come (v. 7).

Live It Out Lesson from Psalm 14: What's Your Bio?

Are you a "FOOL" who lives as if there is no God?

Are you part of the "generation of the <u>RIGHTEOUS</u>" who has been redeemed by Jesus Christ?

And you were dead in the trespasses and sins in which you once walked, following the course of this world, following the prince of the power of the air, the spirit that is now at work in the sons of disobedience—among whom we all once lived in the passions of our flesh, carrying out the desires of the body and the mind, and were by nature children of wrath, like the rest of mankind. But God, being rich in mercy, because of the great love with which he loved us, even when we were dead in our trespasses, made us alive together with Christ—by grace you have been saved. Ephesians 2:1-5