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The Lord wants you to experience real and abundant life:

Ps. 119:1-3 Blessed are those whose ways are blameless, who walk according to the law of the LORD. Blessed are those who keep His statutes and seek Him with all their heart--they do no wrong but follow His ways. (NIV)

So what does it mean to walk in such a way that we are blameless? The Hebrew word carries the connotation of one who chooses the LORD's ways over their own. It was said of Job that he was blameless in all of his ways. Now this doesn't mean that he never sinned. Scripture reminds us that all have sinned and fallen short of the glory of God. Blameless means, when we do sin, we immediately confess and repent of that sin. When that happens, the blame is already shifted to the only One Who could pay for our sins, Jesus Christ. The psalmist is reminding us that when we do fail and fall into sin, we are to confess and repent so that we can walk in the presence of the LORD. And it also behooves us to remember His word and walk in it so that we will choose not to sin when we are tempted to do so.

The Lord will use those who choose to walk an upright life. He will bless them in such a way that those who know them and see them will recognize that the hand of the LORD is upon them. He will bless them beyond measure. When you don't know what you should do, go to His Word. When you need help to overcome sin in your life, go to His Word. When you are struggling, or heart-broken, or need a special touch from His hand, go to His Word. His Holy Spirit will walk alongside you and encourage you. When you are tempted, turn to Him. ***1 Cor. 10:13 No temptation has overtaken you except what is common to mankind. And God is faithful; He will not let you be tempted beyond what you can bear. But when you are tempted, He will also provide a way out so that you can endure it. (NIV)***

Dear LORD, help us to walk in confession and repentance before you so that we will be blameless in Your sight. Help us to turn to the goodness of the LORD instead of the temptations of this world. You have all of the power that we need to do so. In Jesus Name, Amen