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1. Happy are those whose way is blameless, who walk in the law of the LORD.
My walk is not blameless, I often break your laws, O Lord.

2. Happy are those who keep his decrees, who seek him with their whole heart.
I long to serve you with all I have, all my mind, soul, heart and strength, but I fail.

3. Happy are those who do no wrong, but walk in his ways.
I wish I could only do right, only walk in your footsteps, but I wander to the right and the left.

4. You have commanded your precepts to be kept diligently.
Your instructions are perfect, and I know them and reach toward them, but my reaching is short.

5. O that my ways may be steadfast in keeping your statutes!
Lord, help me to pay attention to your ways, to the prompting of your Spirit.

6. Then I shall not be put to shame, having my eyes fixed on all your commandments.
And when I fall, when I fail again, help me to have the humility to look to Jesus.

7. I will praise you with an upright heart, when I learn your righteous ordinances.
In your Son I am renewed, my failings and wrongs are forgiven, my heart is cleansed,

8. I will observe your statutes; do not utterly forsake me.
and with the help of your Spirit I will follow your ways, knowing you have not forsaken me, giving all you have, so I may walk with you each day.