The Paths

Psalm 15/16:11-Thou wilt shew me the path of life: in thy presence is fulness of joy; at thy right hand there are pleasures for evermore. (KJV)

Believers attentive to the Lord will perceive the path to follow to the Kingdom.
The Lord lights and points the narrow way for the attentive believer to follow
The narrow path opens and remains open for the believer seeking God's Kingdom.
Conviction must exist within the believer's heart, mind and soul to travel the path.
Resoluteness enables the believer to resist temptations to take perilous paths.

Psalm 16/17:4-Concerning the works of men, by the word of thy lips I have kept me from the paths of the destroyer. (KJV)

A clear mind focused on intended goals keeps the believer on the narrow path.
Evil is present in ways that may appear good yet intend to destroy the soul.
Joy becomes possible and fills the believer when God's presence is felt.
Fervent prayer keeps the believer united with the Lord in all life's circumstances.
Remaining attentive and seeking the will and guidance of the Lord are essential.

Psalm 16/17:5-Hold up my goings in thy paths, that my footsteps slip not. (KJV)

The Lord is present to help direct the believer to take steps on firm ground.
Perils are easily averted when the believer is obedient to the Lord's direction.
Safety exists for the believer taking refuge in the Lord's presence and guidance.
Steps are taken in confidence by the believer firmly united with the Lord God.
Feeling the firmness of ground under the believer's feet boosts personal faith.

Psalm 22/23:3-He restoreth my soul: he leadeth me in the paths of righteousness for his name's sake. (KJV

Choosing to pursue righteousness is a completely voluntary decision freely made.
Adhering to the paths of the Lord develops from decisions made deep in the heart.
Alternative paths exist throughout life requiring the believer's best discernment.
When the discovery is made that a perilous path is taken, redirection is needed.
Repentance restores the sound direction for the believer to follow with confidence.

Psalm 24/25:4-Shew me thy ways, O Lord; teach me thy paths. (KJV)

The Lord's ways lead to peace, joy and love to be fully embraced and shared.
The time of life is well invested when pursuing love, joy and peace in the Lord.
Learning from the Lord is possible and beneficial throughout earthly life.
Humans are capable of learning when the mind continues to fully function.
Joy, peace and love await believers faithfully following the Lord's path.

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