

A pass through The Psalms: **Week 25: Psalm 119**

Blessed are those whose way is blameless (live), who walk in the law (live) of the Lord!

Blessed are those who keep his testimonies (live), who seek him (learn) with their whole heart (love), who also do no wrong, but walk in his ways (live)! (1-3)

Blessed: "Oh, how **happy**" "perfect **happiness**" "**happy** man"

Oh, how **perfectly happy** the people are who....

- who _____ the Lord **(Learn)**
- with all their _____ pursue him **(Love)**
- who _____ his statutes & way **(Live)**

God promises great & incredible happiness (fulfillment, satisfaction) to those who: **learn** his word, **love** his ways and **live in line** with his will.

We must learn God's word.

-I will meditate on your precepts and fix my eyes on your ways...I will not forget your word. (15-16)

-Then I shall not be put to shame, **having my eyes fixed on all your commandments.** (6)

-I will praise you with an upright heart, when **I learn your righteous rules.** (7-8)

-...teach me your statutes! (12)

Application:

1. If we are to obey God, do what is right and keep our lives from trouble...we must _____ be in the Word of God.
2. If we are to have consistent times in the Word we must _____ it daily, _____ a medium/version that works for us and _____ our progress.

We must love God's way.

-**With my whole heart** I seek you... (10)

-I have stored up **your word in my heart...** (11)

-**In the way of your testimonies I delight** as much as in all riches. (14)

-I will **delight in your statutes** I will not forget your word. (15-16)

-My soul is **consumed with longing** for your laws at all times. (20)

-Your statutes are **my delight** they are my counselors. (24)

Application:

1. If we are to have consistency in our study of the Word of God we have to come to _____ it. To love it, we have to see it as more _____ than anything else.
2. _____ God to give you a hunger and thirst for the Word of God. Ask him to give you 'the desires of your heart'. He certainly will answer in the affirmative.

We must live in line with God's will.

-You have commanded your precepts **to be kept diligently**. Oh that my ways may be **steadfast in keeping** your statutes! (4-5)

-...when I learn your righteous rules. **I will keep your statutes...** (7-8)

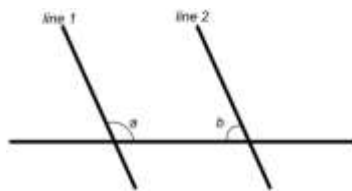
-**By guarding it according to your word** (9)

God's word is truly only a benefit to those who **obey** it or 'guard their way according to it'.

Obedience: "careful **to keep**" "observe" "to perform"

When we live _____ with God's word, we are kept on a pure and right path.

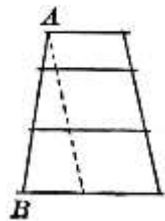
The goal of the believer is to walk _____ to God's path.



God's _____ is where we find the path (the road map).



_____ is what happens when we stray off the parallel path.



Application:

1. Whenever studying the Bible always ask:
How does this apply to my life? What would God have me do?
What can I do today, right now? What should I work towards?
2. Whenever studying the Bible keep a _____ to track your progress. List the **passage** you studied, list your **observations**, list the **application steps** and leave space for **action taken** or not taken.
3. _____ and ask the Holy Spirit to help you, to guide you, to empower you and to help you remember and apply what you learned. **Apart from him, we can do nothing!**