



Keys ~ Psalm 119 Part 11

Description

Do good to your servant according to your word, O Lord. Teach me knowledge and good judgment, for I believe in your commands. Before I was afflicted I went astray, but now I obey your word. You are good, and what you do is good; teach me your decrees. Though the arrogant have smeared me with lies, I keep your precepts with all my heart. Their hearts are callous and unfeeling, but I delight in your law. It was good for me to be afflicted so that I might learn your decrees. The law from your mouth is more precious to me than thousands of pieces of silver and gold. (Psalm 119:65-72)

Keys in this Passage

1. *Live according to God's Word. (vs. 65)*

We must live in accordance to God's Word to further see the goodness He would like to pour out on our lives. Sometimes people look at the Bible and see it as something full of rules and regulations. God's Word is so much more than that. When we live in the ways of God's Word we experience true freedom. We see His ways are higher than our ways and the outcome of living according to His Word comes out in our best interest.

2. *Be teachable. (vs. 66)*

We will never have an excuse to stop growing, learning, or accepting wisdom from the Lord. The writer of this Psalm has asked to be taught knowledge and good judgment. I think as Christians we have a responsibility to grow daily in these qualities. Please do not become arrogant and think that at any point you have arrived in these areas. There is always something more to learn.

3. *Obey the Word of God. (vs. 67)*

Obedience. It's not enough to read God's Word and like what you read. God wants action from His followers. Is there an area that you have yet to be obedient to the Lord in?

4. *Keep God's precepts. (vs. 69)*

It is so difficult to keep going strong when there are people spreading lies about your character. God wants us to stay focused on Him even when people start their mud slinging at our very lives. He will be the One to defend our character. He knows us best and what He asks is that we stay true to His Word. Are you keeping true to God's Word?

5. *Delight in God's Law. (vs. 70)*

Do you take delight in God's law? Do you delight in the Lord when you go to church on Sunday? Do you delight in the Lord by honoring your father and mother? Do you delight in the Lord by not coveting your neighbor's things? Do you delight in the Lord by not bearing false witness against your neighbor? Do you delight in the Lord by not committing adultery, even lusting after someone with your thoughts? Do you delight in the Lord by not murdering, going as far as not thinking thoughts of hate towards anyone? (Exodus 20:3-17, Matthew 5:21-30)

6. *God's Law is more precious than Silver or Gold. (vs. 72)*

"The law from your mouth is more precious to me than thousands of pieces of silver and gold (vs. 72)." The Word of God is living and came from the very mouth of God. The mouth that spoke the stars, the seas, and the human body into existence also spoke the written Word into existence for us. The Word of God never loses its power to change us and renew our strength. I know I can read the same passage many times and it can mean different things to me depending on where I'm at in my walk with God. God is constantly using His Word to revive me and help me live uprightly for Him. His Word is more precious than gold and silver because I can hide it in my heart. Finances get depleted over time, but God's Word I can hide in my heart. Time, people, and things cannot steal the Word of God from me. It is the one thing I have that will endure forever. Nothing and no one can take it from me. Do you appreciate God's Word for all that it is in your life? Are you memorizing Scripture and hiding it in your heart?

Dear Father God, I desire to live according to Your Word. Please teach me Your ways and help me to live in accordance to Your will. I delight in Your Law, O Lord and all that You have done to teach me what is right. Your Word truly is more precious to me than gold and silver. I hide it daily in my heart and pray that I will reflect what I see inside of it.

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