

Psalm 119: The Value of God's Word

Read Psalm 119:57-120

Psalm 119 gives us 8 verses about God's word for each of 22 sections. Those 176 wonderful truths help us think more deeply and broadly about the riches of God's word.

Here are a few of the verses that inspire and expand my thinking about the value of the wisdom God has shared with us:

- Temptations bombard us from all around and from within. But as we fill our minds with God's truth, we stay focused on Him:
*How can a young person stay on the path of purity?
By living according to your word.
I have hidden your word in my heart
that I might not sin against you. (vv.9, 11, NIV)*
- Many who don't know God fear that His laws will bind them and take away their freedom. The truth is the exact opposite. God's word written on our hearts frees us from slavery to self and sin and from the wrongness that corrupts our lives:
*I walk about in freedom,
for I have sought out your precepts. (v.45, NIV)*
- The Creator who conceived and formed us is eager to give us wisdom as to how we can live the happiest, most fruitful lives. He is our designer, and He wrote the manual on the way we are designed to live.
*Your hands made me and formed me;
give me understanding to learn your commands. (v.73, NIV)*
- Our smallness, ignorance, and weakness can fill our lives with impenetrable darkness. On our own, we cannot know which way to go. But:
*Your word is a lamp for my feet,
a light on my path.
The unfolding of your words gives light;
it gives understanding to the simple. (vv.105, 130, NIV)*
- God's constant presence and complete reliability bring a stability to our lives that nothing else can.
*You are near, Lord,
and all your commands are true.
Great peace have those who love your law,
and nothing can make them stumble. (vv.151, 165, NIV)*

Listen & Sing: [You Are Near, O Lord](#) (from [LNWhymns.com](#))

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