

## "Developing a Proper Attitude Toward God's Word"

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Point 1 We can develop an \_\_\_\_\_ about and a \_\_\_\_\_ upon God's Word since it is \_\_\_\_\_ and rich in \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ in this unreliable world of deception and darkness.

"All Scripture is inspired by God and profitable for teaching, for reproof, for correction, for training in righteousness; (WHY?) so that the man of God may be adequate, equipped for every good work." **2 Timothy 3:16-17** (NASB95)

"The law of the LORD is perfect, restoring the soul; The testimony of the LORD is sure, making wise the simple."

Psalm 19:7 (NASB95)

*"All Your commandments are faithful."* **Psalm 119:86a** (NASB95)

"Your word is a lamp to my feet and a light to my path.

## I have sworn and I will confirm it, that I will keep Your righteous ordinances." Psalm 119:105-106 (NASB95)

"The precepts of the LORD are right, rejoicing the heart; The commandment of the LORD is pure, enlightening the eyes. The judgments of the LORD are true; they are righteous altogether."

Psalm 19:8 and 9b (NASB95)

"At midnight I shall rise to give thanks to You because of Your righteous ordinances." Psalm 119:62 (NASB95)

"Your righteousness is an everlasting righteousness, and Your law is truth." **Psalm 119:142** (NASB95)

SO then, all of the above and much more gives us AMPLE reason for excitement and a confidence in God's word. It IS reliable, it IS absolute truth, and it ILLUMINES our life and provides clear vision—GET EXCITED!

Point 2 We must \_\_\_\_\_ God's Word in our lives since it is the most \_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_ we possess. "They are more desirable than gold, yes, than much fine gold; Sweeter also than honey and the drippings of the honeycomb." Psalm 19:10 (NASB95)

"Therefore, I love Your commandments. Above gold, yes, above fine gold. Therefore, I esteem right all Your precepts concerning everything, I hate every false way." Psalm 119:127-128 (NASB95)

"Deal bountifully with Your servant, that I may live and keep Your word. Open my eyes, that I may behold wonderful things from Your law. I am a stranger in the earth; do not hide Your commandments from me. My soul is crushed with longing after your ordinances at all times."

Psalm 119:17-20 (NASB95)

"Make me walk in the path of Your commandments, for I delight in it." Psalm 119:35 (NASB95)

*"If Your law had not been my delight, then I would have perished in my affliction. I will never forget Your precepts, for by them You have revived me."* 

Psalm 119:92-93 (NASB95)

"Those who love Your law have great peace, and nothing causes them to stumble." Psalm 119:165 (NASB95)

Our GREATEST ASSET IS GOD'S WORD—it is a source of wonderful things, truth, light, peace, joy, refreshment, rescue, and delight. What other thing on this earth can do all that AND be a promise FOR and a source OF life eternal??

## Point 3 We must \_\_\_\_\_ that God's Word is \_\_\_\_\_ for daily \_\_\_\_\_.

"Moreover, by them (God's judgments or decrees) Your servant is warned; In keeping them there is great reward."

Psalm 19:11 (NASB95)

"How blessed are those whose way is blameless, who walk in the law of the LORD. How blessed are those who observe His testimonies, who seek Him with all their heart. They also do no unrighteousness; They walk in His ways. You have ordained Your precepts, that we should keep them diligently. Oh, that my ways may be established to keep Your statutes!" **Psalm 119:1-5** (NASB95) "How can a young man keep his way pure? By keeping it according to Your word. With all my heart I have sought You; Do not let me wander from Your commandments. Your word I have treasured in my heart, that I may not sin against You."

Psalm 119:9-11 (NASB95)

"And do not take the word of truth utterly out of my mouth,

For I wait for Your ordinances. So, I will keep Your law continually, Forever and ever. And I will walk at liberty,

for I seek Your precepts."

Psalm 119:43-45 (NASB95)

"Let my soul live that it may praise You, and let Your ordinances help me."

Psalm 119:175 (NASB95)

*"Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be acceptable in Your sight, O LORD, my rock and my Redeemer."* 

Psalm 119:14 (NASB95)

So, we can see that God's word is CRITICAL to living, IF we treat it with reverence and respect, incorporating it into our lives as a PRIORITY! <u>We must</u> <u>imitate the psalmist!!</u>