

PSALMS: TONES OF LIFE

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PSALM 119
Wholehearted Love for
God's Good Word

ALEPH

- 1 Blessed are those whose way is blameless,
who walk in the law of the Lord!**
- 2 Blessed are those who keep his testimonies,
who seek him with their whole heart,
3 who also do no wrong,
but walk in his ways!**
- 4 You have commanded your precepts
to be kept diligently.**

**5 Oh that my ways may be steadfast
in keeping your statutes!**

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

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

**8 I will keep your statutes;
do not utterly forsake me!**

BETH

9 How can a young man keep his way pure?

By guarding it according to your word.

10 With my whole heart I seek you;

let me not wander from your

commandments!

11 I have stored up your word in my heart,

that I might not sin against you.

12 Blessed are you, O Lord;

teach me your statutes!

**13 With my lips I declare
all the rules of your mouth.**

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

**15 I will meditate on your precepts
and fix my eyes on your ways.**

**16 I will delight in your statutes;
I will not forget your word.**

GIMEL

**17 Deal bountifully with your servant,
that I may live and keep your word.**

**18 Open my eyes, that I may behold
wondrous things out of your law.**

**19 I am a sojourner on the earth;
hide not your commandments from me!**

**20 My soul is consumed with longing
for your rules at all times.**

**21 You rebuke the insolent, accursed ones,
who wander from your commandments.**

**22 Take away from me scorn and contempt,
for I have kept your testimonies.**

**23 Even though princes sit plotting against
me,
your servant will meditate on your
statutes.**

**24 Your testimonies are my delight;
they are my counselors.**

DALETH

**25 My soul clings to the dust;
give me life according to your word!**

**26 When I told of my ways, you answered me;
teach me your statutes!**

**27 Make me understand the way of your
precepts,
and I will meditate on your wondrous
works.**

**28 My soul melts away for sorrow;
strengthen me according to your word!**

**29 Put false ways far from me
and graciously teach me your law!**

**30 I have chosen the way of faithfulness;
I set your rules before me.**

**31 I cling to your testimonies, O Lord;
let me not be put to shame!**

**32 I will run in the way of your
commandments
when you enlarge my heart!**

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**Verse 24: Hear my voice according to your
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**Verse 34: "Give me understanding, that I may
keep your law and observe it with my whole
heart."**

Verse 66: “Teach me good judgment and knowledge, for I believe in your commandments.”

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Verse 105: “Your word is a lamp to my feet and a light to my path.”

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**Verse 147: “I rise before dawn and cry for help; I
hope in your words.”**

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Verse 9: “How can a young man keep his way pure? By guarding it according to your word.”

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Verse 11: “I have stored up your word in my heart, that I might not sin against you.”

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Verse 40: “Behold, I long for your precepts; in your righteousness give me life!”

Verse 88: “In your steadfast love give me life, that I may keep the testimonies of your mouth.”

Verse 93: “I will never forget your precepts, for by them you have given me life.”

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Verses 116-117: “Uphold me according to your promise, that I may live, and let me not be put to shame in my hope! 117 Hold me up, that I may be safe and have regard for your statutes continually!”

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**Verse 89: “Forever, O Lord, your word is firmly
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Verse 142: “Your righteousness is righteous forever, and your law is true.”

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**Verse 52: “When I think of your rules from of old,
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**Verse 165: “Great peace have those who love
your law; nothing can make them stumble.”**

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**Because God's word is so GOOD, we
wholeheartedly love it!**

**Verses 69-70: “The insolent smear me with lies,
but with my whole heart I keep your precepts; 70
their heart is unfeeling like fat, but I delight in
your law.”**

**Verse 97: “Oh how I love your law! It is my
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**Verse 127: “Therefore I love your commandments
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**Verse 72: “The law of your mouth is better to me
than thousands of gold and silver pieces.”**

John 1:1: “In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God.”

John 1:4: “In him was life, and the life was the light of men.”

John 1:17: “For the law was given through Moses; grace and truth came through Jesus Christ.”

STEADFAST LOVE (Hebrew: HESED)

Verse 159: "Consider how I love your precepts! Give me life according to your steadfast love."

Verse 76: "Let your steadfast love comfort me according to your promise to your servant."

Verse 124: "Deal with your servant according to your steadfast love, and teach me your statutes."

Verse 149: "Hear my voice according to your steadfast love; O Lord, according to your justice give me life."



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