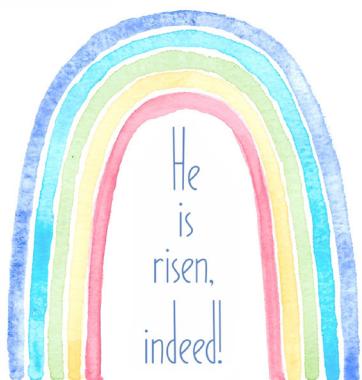




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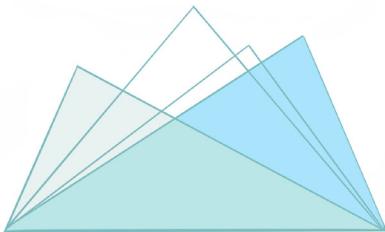
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for God so loved the world,
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that whoever believes in Him
should not perish but have
eternal life.
John 3:16



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Your word is a lamp to my feet, and a light to my path. Psalm 119:105

While Psalm 119 is sometimes referred to as an orphan psalm (as there is no person directly credited with writing it), some scholars think it is a psalm by King David while others believe it was written by Ezra. But all agree that it is a powerful piece of Scripture (as the longest chapter of the Bible) penned in a very deliberate style with a distinct theme. Throughout the 22 sections, each 8 lines long (for a total of 176 verses), the author focuses on God's truths which should lead the way. His truth, His word, His laws, and His commandments should be the lamp that guides the way through life. Lamps, however, are useless in the dark unless they are turned on. Scripture, likewise, cannot guide one's decisions unless it is purposely sought out, read, meditated upon, and cherished. While God's word always exists, especially in the darkest times, the psalmist of Psalm 119 pleads with God to have these truths activated in his soul, heart, and life in order to lead him on the right path away from sin.

With my whole heart I seek you;
let me not wander from your commandments!
I have stored up your word in my heart,
that I might not sin against you.

Psalm 119: 10-11

If God's word is in your heart, it can, and will, be a light to your path as written in verse 105. Without God's word leading us, without a doubt, we will stumble. (I am severely afflicted, give me life, O LORD, according to your word! Ps. 119:107) However, if we let His light shine for us, ahead of us, and within us, our paths, and our future, will be illuminated as we move toward Him and for Him. The more we turn our hearts to the life giving light of God's word, the more we will walk in the ways He intended.

Give me understanding, that I may keep your law
and observe it with my whole heart.
Lead me in the path of your commandments,
for I delight in it.
Incline my heart to your testimonies,
and not to selfish gain!

Psalm 119: 34-36

No matter what path we have come from, or what method we have used to get there, because of the world we live in, there is darkness, danger, insecurity, fear, loneliness, addiction and much more. But God wants us to follow the path He set before us - one that leads to life and freedom in Him. Whether we walk, skip, trudge, run, or crawl down that path, the truths set forth in the Bible are there to guide us to stay in step with the Commandments in order to live a life that is worthy, humble, upright . . . a reflection of His light and love. In conclusion, the second to last verse of Psalm 119 states, "Let my soul live and praise you, and let your rules help me" (v. 175). Let these truths guide you to walk in a way that honors God; turn on the lamp, open your Bible, and rejoice that His words are for you, to guide you closer to Him.



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DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

● ○ ○ FOR MOM

Are there times that you have strayed down the wrong path when you were not following God's word?

How did this impact your life (spiritually, relationally, physically)?

What biblical truths light the path for you and your family? Consider taking this next month to explore all 22 chapters of Psalm 119. Can you apply this month's verse (and others you discover) to make one positive change for yourself and/or your family?

● ● ○ FOR KIDS

Do you walk on the right path God set before you? Are there friends in your life that try to lead you astray?

Can you introduce any friends to God by sharing this month's verse?

Be encouraged. God's words are there to guide you; follow them and walk justly down the path He desires for your life.

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