

Psalm 119:161-176

Open It:

1. What is your favorite ending to a movie (or book) that you have ever seen (read)?
What makes a good ending?

Explore It:

Read Psalm 119:161-168 *Sin and Shin*

2. The psalmist identifies (sort of) those who are persecuting him. Who are they (refer back to verse 23)?
3. Instead of trembling at those who persecute him, what causes him to tremble? What does that mean?
4. What does the psalmist compare God's promise to in v. 162? How does someone treasure God's Word?
5. How often does he praise the Lord? Why should praise characterize the life of a Christian?
6. What does the psalmist experience because of his commitment to the Lord and His Word? When have you experienced the same thing?

7. What does it mean for the psalmist to wait for the Lord's salvation? What does waiting entail?

8. What does it mean when the psalmist says, "all my ways are known to you?" What comfort does that bring to you personally?

Read Psalm 119:169-176 *Taw*

9. The psalmist is concluding this prayer (which he began back in v. 17). What does he ask the Lord to do for him in this stanza?

10. What commitments does the psalmist make in this stanza?

11. What confession does the psalmist make?

12. What does the psalmist mean by comparing himself to a lost sheep?

13. What other verses come to your mind with a similar imagery?

14. What hope and/or encouragement do you find in v. 176? Explain.

Apply It:

15. What did you learn about God and His Word in studying Psalm 119?

16. Is there one verse that really spoke to you from Psalm 119?

17. How has your attitude changed toward God's Word because of studying Psalm 119?

18. Now that we have finished Psalm 119, now what are you going to do? What action step are you going to take?

Homework:

Re-read the entire Psalm this week and choose one or two verses that you are going to commit to memory (it can't be one that you have already learned before). Mediate on this verse daily.

"Focusing on the Lord, asking for nothing, and being totally lost in our praise of Him has a way of making the problems look much smaller, and the future much brighter."

Warren Wiersbe

"When a man has so high an opinion of God's commandments it is little wonder that his lips should be ready to extol the ever-glorious One." Charles Spurgeon