



# Learning to **Treasure** the Word of God

Six reasons we should love and cherish our Bibles



# I. Because the LORD's Perfect Law Converts Our Souls

## A. By bringing about conviction

Galatians 3:24 - *Therefore the Law has become our tutor to lead us to Christ, so that we may be justified by faith.*

B. By exposing our hearts

Hebrews 4:12 - *For the word of God is living and active and sharper than any two-edged sword, and piercing as far as the division of soul and spirit, of both joints and marrow, and able to judge the thoughts and intentions of the heart.*



“The meaning for perfect is that Scripture lacks nothing for its completeness; nothing in order that it might be what it should be...it is adapted with consummate wisdom to the needs of man; it is an unerring guide of conduct. There is nothing there which would lead men into error or sin; there is nothing essential for man to know which may not be found there.” (Albert Barnes)

## C. By pointing us to the Savior

*Galatians 3:24 - Therefore the Law has become our tutor to lead us to Christ, so that we may be justified by faith.*

*Hebrews 10:11 - Every priest stands daily ministering and offering time after time the same sacrifices, which can never take away sins...*



## II. Because the LORD's Reliable Testimony Can Make Us Wise

Psalm 19:7b - ...*The testimony of the LORD is sure, making wise the simple*

A. We are all born with hearts that are bound in foolishness

Proverbs 22:15 - *Foolishness is bound up in the heart of a child...*



B. Learning to think and act biblically can make you a wise person and counselor

2 Peter 1:3 - ...seeing that *His* divine power has granted to us everything pertaining to life and godliness, through the true knowledge of Him who called us by His own glory and excellence.



*2 Peter 1:16-18 - For we did not follow cleverly devised tales when we made known to you the power and coming of our Lord Jesus Christ, but we were eyewitnesses of His majesty. For when He received honor and glory from God the Father, such an utterance as this was made to Him by the Majestic Glory, "This is My beloved Son with whom I am well-pleased" - and we ourselves heard this utterance made from heaven when we were with Him on the holy mountain.*

2 Peter 1:19 - And we have something more sure, the prophetic Word, to which you will do well to pay attention as to a lamp shining in a dark place, until the day dawns and the morning star rises in your hearts, knowing this first of all, that no prophecy of Scripture comes from someone's own interpretation. For no prophecy was ever produced by the will of man, but men spoke from God as they were carried along by the Holy Spirit.



### III. Because the LORD's Precepts Produce Joy

Psalm 19:8 - *The precepts of the LORD are right, rejoicing the heart...*

A. The way of the transgressor is hard

Proverbs 13:15 - ...*the way of transgressors is hard.*



## B. Jesus promises His joy to those who obey His Word

John 13:17 - *If you know these things, you are blessed if you do them.*

John 17:13 - *But now I come to You; and these things I speak in the world so that they may have My joy made full in themselves.*

*2 Corinthians 12:9 - And He has said to me, "My grace is sufficient for you, for power is perfected in weakness." Most gladly, therefore, I will rather boast about my weaknesses, so that the power of Christ may dwell in me.*



## IV. Because the LORD's Pure Commandments Enlighten the Eyes

Psalm 19:8 - *The precepts of the LORD are right, rejoicing the heart; the commandment of the LORD is pure, enlightening the eyes.*

A. Contrasted to the blindness of the world

2 Corinthians 4:4 - ...*in whose case the god of this world has blinded the minds of the unbelieving so that they might not see the light of the gospel of the glory of Christ, who is the image of God.*





B. We should constantly ask the Lord to help us see clearly

Romans 15:14 - *And concerning you, my brethren, I myself also am convinced that you yourselves are full of goodness, filled with all knowledge and able also to admonish one another.*



# V. Because the LORD's Holy Fear Endures Forever

Psalm 19:9a - *The fear of the LORD is clean,  
enduring forever...*

A. Contrasted to the ever-changing opinions of human beings

2 Timothy 3:7 - ...*always learning and never able to come to the knowledge of the truth.*



B. Don't put your confidence in a source of truth that is fading

*1 Peter 1:23-25 - for you have been born again not of seed which is perishable but imperishable, that is, through the living and enduring word of God. For, "All flesh is like grass, And all its glory like the flower of grass. The grass withers, And the flower falls off, But the word of the LORD endures forever." And this is the word which was preached to you.*

## VI. Because the LORD's True Judgments are Righteous Altogether

Psalm 19:9b - ...*The judgments of the LORD  
are true; they are righteous altogether.*



A. This is why we should treasure God's Word so highly

Psalm 19:10 - *They are more desirable than gold, yes, than much fine gold; Sweeter also than honey and the drippings of the honeycomb.*

## B. This is why we should evaluate and warn ourselves

Psalm 19:11-13 - *Moreover, by them Your servant is warned; in keeping them there is great reward. Who can discern his errors? Acquit me of hidden faults. Also keep back Your servant from presumptuous sins; Let them not rule over me; then I will be blameless, and I shall be acquitted of great transgression.*



C. This is how our words and thoughts can honor  
our Redeemer

Psalm 19:14 - *Let the words of my mouth and  
the meditation of my heart be acceptable in  
Your sight, O LORD, my rock and my  
Redeemer.*