

Meditate & Memorize  
February 2023: Psalm 119  
Love: His Word

Given that this passage is so long, I wanted to challenge you to take the time to notice some words and phrases which are repeated throughout both in this particular chapter and in other biblical passages. Look up the passage and note the significance of the word/chapter to the context. (The references listed are not exhaustive. Feel free to explore additional passages by using a concordance or online tool such as [blueletterbible.org](http://blueletterbible.org) )

The issue of the heart is throughout the Bible. Here are some passages that include a reference to the whole heart:

2 Kings 20.3  
I Chronicles 28.9  
2 Chronicles 15.15  
Isaiah 38.3  
Jeremiah 24.7

And in Psalm 119 verses:

10  
34  
58  
69  
145

The psalmist asks for the Lord to “teach me” in the following verses of Psalm 119. Note what the writer is asking to be taught:

12  
26  
33  
64  
66  
68  
108  
124  
131  
175

The use of the word “way” is used to refer to how someone lives day to day, it suggests a lifestyle pattern, a general characteristic of how one lives on a regular basis. Read the following verses (there are more, I only listed 8) from Psalm 119 and note how the way of a believer should be:

1  
9  
14  
27  
29  
30  
32  
33

Interestingly, this is referred to as the meditate and memorize series of studies, and the idea of meditating is included in this chapter five times in verses. What does the author encourage us to mediate on?

15  
27  
48  
78  
148

God created us to delight in Himself and His truth. Note the use of the word “delight” in the following verses:

16  
24  
35  
47  
70  
77  
92  
143  
174

Here’s an old hymn that tells of the beauty of the words of life found in the Bible:

### **Wonderful Words of Life**

*Sing them over again to me, wonderful words of life,  
Let me more of their beauty see, wonderful words of life;  
Words of life and beauty teach me faith and duty.  
Beautiful words, wonderful words, wonderful words of life,  
Beautiful words, wonderful words, wonderful words of life.*

*Christ, the blessed One, gives to all wonderful words of life;  
Sinner, list to the loving call, wonderful words of life;  
All so freely given, wooing us to heaven.  
Beautiful words, wonderful words, wonderful words of life,  
Beautiful words, wonderful words, wonderful words of life.*

*Sweetly echo the Gospel call, wonderful words of life;  
Offer pardon and peace to all, wonderful words of life;  
Jesus, only Savior, sanctify us forever.  
Beautiful words, wonderful words, wonderful words of life,  
Beautiful words, wonderful words, wonderful words of life.*