

"In the beginning was the word..." John 1:1

From **Psalm 119** we can glean from David the proper response to the Word of God:

- walk according to it v. 1
- run in its path because God has set your heart free v. 32
- consider your ways and turn your steps to it v. 59
- keep it v. 2, 22, 55, 115, 146
 - to the end v. 33
 - with all your heart v. 69
 - set your heart on this to the very end v. 112
- live according to it v. 9
- obey it v. 67, 100, 129, 134, 145, 167, 168
 - fully v. 4, 8, 17
 - steadfastly v. 5
 - with all your heart v. 34
 - always, for ever and ever v. 44
 - because your life is preserved v. 88
- make it your practice to obey it v. 56
- promise to obey it v. 57
- hasten to obey it v. 60
- keep from evil so you can obey it v. 101
- follow it v. 166
- consider it v. 15
 - all v. 6
 - right/true v. 128
- learn it v. 7
 - through affliction v. 71, see 75
- be taught it by God v. 102, 172
- hide it in your heart v. 11
- it should ever be with you v. 98
- use your lips to recount all of it v. 13
- remember it v. 52
- PRAY
 - to be taught it by God v. 12, 26, 33, 64, 68, 108, 124, 135
 - for open eyes to see the wonderful things in it v. 18
 - to understand it v. 33, 73, 144
 - so you can meditate on wonders v. 27
 - for directing in the path of it v. 35
 - for turning of your heart to it v. 36
 - for the fulfilling of it v. 38
 - that God would remember it v. 49
 - for discernment to understand it v. 125
 - for it to sustain you v. 175

- meditate on it v. 15, 23, 48, 78, 99, 148
 - all day long v. 97
- ponder it v. 95
- long for it v. 40
- have a soul-consuming longing for it at all times v. 20
- open your mouth and pant, longing for it v. 131
- do not neglect it v. 16
- do not turn from it v. 51, 157
- do not forget it v. 61, 83, 109, 141, 153, 176
- never forget it v. 93
- do not forsake it v. 87
- do not depart from it v. 102
- do not stray from it v. 110
- claim it to be true in prayer v. 25, 28, 41, 58, 65, 76, 107, 116, 133, 149, 154, 156, 169, 170
- choose it v. 30, 173
- set your heart on it v. 30
- hold fast to it v. 31
- trust in it v. 42
- believe in it v. 66
- put your hope in it v. 43, 74, 81, 114, 147
- seek it out v. 45, 94
- speak of it v. 46
- thank God for it as you rise at midnight v. 62
- be a friend of those who follow it v. 63
- have a blameless heart toward it v. 80
- look for the promises in it until your eyes fail v. 82, 123
- always have regard for it v. 117
- stand in awe of it v. 120
- have a heart that trembles at it v. 161
- rejoice in following it v. 14
- delight in it v. 16, 24, 47, 70
- love it v. 47, 97, 113, 119, 127, 159, 163, 165, 167
- lift your hands to it v. 48
- make it the theme of your song everywhere you are v. 54
- praise God for it seven times a day v. 164
- have a tongue that sings of it v. 172
- rejoice in it v. 162

Paul teaches us to let the word of Christ dwell in us richly. Colossians 3:16

Jesus, the word made flesh, said it is all about putting the word into practice. Matthew 7:24

"Do not think that I have come to abolish the Law or the Prophets; I did not come to abolish it, but to fulfill it." Matthew 5:17

In Psalm 119 we learn that it is perfect & trustworthy 7 • makes wise the simple & converts the soul 7 • right, radiant, sure 8, 9 • give joy to the heart 8 • they warm & in keeping them is great reward 11 • "His word is in my heart like a fire...shut up in my bones. I am weary of holding it in; indeed, I cannot." Jer 20:9

Psalm 119 proclaims the characteristics of the Word of God: righteous 7, 75, 172 • it comes from God's mouth 13 • true 142 • greater than great riches 14 • my delight, my counselors 24 • more precious than silver or gold 27 • eternal, stands firm in heaven 88 • everything else has a limit, but it is boundless 88