Psalm 119:169-176

Sermon Outline

2 Timothy 3:16–17 — "All Scripture is breathed out by God and profitable for teaching, for reproof, for correction, and for training in righteousness, that the man of God may be complete, equipped for every good work."

1. The Psalmist's Prayer (169–70)

- To be heard
- To gain understanding of God's Word
- To be delivered according to God's Word
 - God's character has been revealed through His Word.
 - God is and works according to how He has revealed Himself.

2. The Psalmist's Praise (171–72)

- Assurance that God would give him understanding
- All understanding of God, through His Word, should produce praise.
- There is nothing better to sing than the truths of God.

*We know the Psalmist has gained understanding of God, through His Word, because he knows where to find power, pleasure, provision, and perseverance.

3. The Psalmist's Source of Power (173)

- The hand of God is a picture of power.
- God acts in relation to His revealed Word.

4. The Psalmist's Source of Pleasure (174)

- He longed to see salvation.
- Since God has revealed himself and His salvation in the Word, there is no greater treasure than the Word of God.

5. The Psalmist's Source of Provision (175)

- The Psalmist's desire is to live so that he could praise.
- God's Word would provide life and praise.

6. The Psalmist's Source of Perseverance (176)

- He knows his own heart.
- He knows the heart of God to keep those who are His.
- Even in wandering, the Psalmist still loved the Word.

***In Christ, all of these blessings are ours!!!

- Christ is our Mediator/Advocate. (1 John 2:1)
 - Our prayers come near God's throne and are heard because of Christ.
 - Christ is our strong and perfect plea.
 - "Before the throne of God above / I have a strong and perfect plea / A great High Priest whose name is love / Who ever lives and pleads for me"
- He is the Wisdom of God. (1 Corinthians 1:21–24)
- He gives us power through the Holy Spirit. (2 Corinthians 13:4; Ephesians 1:19)
- He is our greatest treasure and pleasure. (Philippians 3:7–8)
- He is the provision sent from God. (Philippians 4:19)
- He is our great Shepherd who will sustain us. (John 10:1–18)

Small Group Discussion

- 1. How did the Holy Spirit speak to you through the Scripture and sermon Sunday? What stood out to you? What questions do you have?
- 2. What was the Psalmist's prayer? How is his prayer answered in Christ? What does that mean to you?
- 3. What does it mean for God to deliver us according to His word?
- 4. What did the Psalmist's respond in praise to God? How should our understanding of the Word of God produce praise? What happens if it does not?
- 5. Where do we find power, pleasure, provision, and perseverance? How can Jesus be the source of all of these blessings?