

**I Have Hidden Your Word in My Heart [Psalm 119 – Part 1] (c. David/Solomon/Divided Kingdom)**

Psalm 119:1–72

**Aleph**

- 1 How blessed are those whose actions are blameless,  
who obey the law of the LORD.
- 2 How blessed are those who observe his rules,  
and seek him with all their heart,
- 3 who, moreover, do no wrong,  
but follow in his footsteps.
- 4 You demand that your precepts  
be carefully kept.
- 5 If only I were predisposed  
to keep your statutes!
- 6 Then I would not be ashamed,  
if I were focused on all your commands.
- 7 I will give you sincere thanks,  
when I learn your just regulations.
- 8 I will keep your statutes.  
Do not completely abandon me!

**Beth**

- 9 How can a young person maintain a pure life?  
By guarding it according to your instructions!
- 10 With all my heart I seek you.  
Do not allow me to stray from your commands!
- 11 In my heart I store up your words,  
so I might not sin against you.
- 12 You deserve praise, O LORD!  
Teach me your statutes!
- 13 With my lips I proclaim  
all the regulations you have revealed.
- 14 I rejoice in the lifestyle prescribed by your rules  
as if they were riches of all kinds.
- 15 I will meditate on your precepts  
and focus on your behavior.
- 16 I find delight in your statutes;  
I do not forget your instructions.

**Gimel**

- 17 Be kind to your servant!  
Then I will live and keep your instructions.
- 18 Open my eyes so I can truly see  
the marvelous things in your law!
- 19 I am like a foreigner in this land.  
Do not hide your commands from me!
- 20 I desperately long to know  
your regulations at all times.
- 21 You reprimand arrogant people.  
Those who stray from your commands are doomed.
- 22 Spare me shame and humiliation,  
for I observe your rules.
- 23 Though rulers plot and slander me,  
your servant meditates on your statutes.
- 24 Yes, I find delight in your rules;  
they give me guidance.

**Daleth**

- 25 I collapse in the dirt.  
Revive me with your word!
- 26 I told you about my ways and you answered me.  
Teach me your statutes!
- 27 Help me to understand what your precepts mean!  
Then I can meditate on your marvelous teachings.
- 28 I collapse from grief.  
Sustain me by your word!
- 29 Remove me from the path of deceit!  
Graciously give me your law!
- 30 I choose the path of faithfulness;  
I am committed to your regulations.
- 31 I hold fast to your rules.  
O LORD, do not let me be ashamed!
- 32 I run along the path of your commands,  
for you enable me to do so.

**He**

- 33 Teach me, O LORD, the lifestyle prescribed by your statutes,  
so that I might observe it continually.
- 34 Give me understanding so that I might observe your law,  
and keep it with all my heart.
- 35 Guide me in the path of your commands,  
for I delight to walk in it.
- 36 Give me a desire for your rules,  
rather than for wealth gained unjustly.
- 37 Turn my eyes away from what is worthless!  
Revive me with your word!
- 38 Confirm to your servant your promise,  
which you made to the one who honors you.
- 39 Take away the insults that I dread!  
Indeed, your regulations are good.
- 40 Look, I long for your precepts.  
Revive me with your deliverance!

**Waw**

- 41 May I experience your loyal love, O LORD,  
and your deliverance, as you promised.
- 42 Then I will have a reply for the one who insults me,  
for I trust in your word.
- 43 Do not completely deprive me of a truthful testimony,  
for I await your justice.
- 44 Then I will keep your law continually  
now and for all time.
- 45 I will be secure,  
for I seek your precepts.
- 46 I will speak about your regulations before kings  
and not be ashamed.
- 47 I will find delight in your commands,  
which I love.
- 48 I will lift my hands to your commands,  
which I love,  
and I will meditate on your statutes.

**Zayin**

- 49 Remember your word to your servant,  
for you have given me hope.
- 50 This is what comforts me in my trouble,  
for your promise revives me.
- 51 Arrogant people do nothing but scoff at me.  
Yet I do not turn aside from your law.
- 52 I remember your ancient regulations,  
O LORD, and console myself.
- 53 Rage takes hold of me because of the wicked,  
those who reject your law.
- 54 Your statutes have been my songs  
in the house where I live.
- 55 I remember your name during the night, O LORD,  
and I will keep your law.
- 56 This has been my practice,  
for I observe your precepts.

**Heth**

- 57 The LORD is my source of security.  
I have determined to follow your instructions.
- 58 I seek your favor with all my heart.  
Have mercy on me as you promised!
- 59 I consider my actions  
and follow your rules.
- 60 I keep your commands  
eagerly and without delay.
- 61 The ropes of the wicked tighten around me,  
but I do not forget your law.
- 62 In the middle of the night I arise to thank you  
for your just regulations.
- 63 I am a friend to all your loyal followers,  
and to those who keep your precepts.
- 64 O LORD, your loyal love fills the earth.  
Teach me your statutes!

**Teth**

- 65 You are good to your servant,  
O LORD, just as you promised.
- 66 Teach me proper discernment and understanding!  
For I consider your commands to be reliable.
- 67 Before I was afflicted I used to stray off,  
but now I keep your instructions.
- 68 You are good and you do good.  
Teach me your statutes!
- 69 Arrogant people smear my reputation with lies,  
but I observe your precepts with all my heart.
- 70 Their hearts are calloused,  
but I find delight in your law.
- 71 It was good for me to suffer,  
so that I might learn your statutes.
- 72 The law you have revealed is more important to me  
than thousands of pieces of gold and silver.