

Directions - Trusting and Treasuring God's Word Psalm 119:1-6

Psalm 119:1-6 (HCSB)

"How happy are those whose way is blameless, who live according to the law of the LORD! Happy are those who keep His decrees and seek Him with all their heart. If only my ways were committed to keeping Your statutes! Then I would not be ashamed."

The Message

"You're blessed when you stay on course...You're blessed when you follow his directions. Oh, that my steps might be steady, keeping to the course you set; Then I'd never have any regrets."

I. Consider the Blessings.

Verse 2 - "Happy are those...who live according to the law of the Lord."

Psalm 119:11,14,24,93,98,99,104,105,72 (NIV)

I have hidden your word in my heart that I might not sin against you.
I rejoice in following your statutes as one rejoices in great riches.
Your statutes are my delight; they are my counselors.
I will never forget your precepts, for by them you have preserved my life.
Your commands make me wiser than my enemies, for they are ever with me.

I have more insight than all my teachers, for I meditate on your statutes. I gain understanding from your precepts; therefore I hate every wrong path. Your word is a lamp to my feet and a light for my path. The law from your mouth is more precious to me than thousands of pieces of silver and gold. Joshua 1:8 (NIV)

Do not let this Book of the Law depart from your mouth; meditate on it day and night, so that you may be careful to do everything written in it. Then you will be prosperous and successful.

II. Start with the Obvious.

Ephesians 5:17-18 (HCSB)

"So don't be foolish, but understand what the Lord's will is. And don't get drunk with wine, which leads to reckless actions, but be filled with the Spirit."

1 Thessalonians 4:3-8 (HCSB)

"For this is God's will, your sanctification: that you abstain from sexual immorality...not with lustful desires, like the Gentiles who don't know God...For God has not called us to impurity, but to sanctification."

III. Ask the Right Questions.

- Does it appeal more to my flesh or my spirit?
- Will it help me to grow spiritually?

1 Corinthians 6:12 (HCSB)

"Everything is permissible for me, but not everything is helpful. Everything is permissible for me, but I will not be brought under the control of anything."

- Will it hinder my Walk with Christ?
- Will it bring me into bondage or cause someone to stumble?

IV. Trust Your Father.

Psalm 143:8 (NIV)

"I have put my trust in you. Show me the way I should go.



"Looking back, I see that this Book was the foundation on which my life has been built; and its influence has made possible all the things that have counted in my experiences. It was the wisest, most important and far-reaching investment I ever made." – John Wanamaker