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### Intro Voice 00:03

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### Baruch Korman 00:41

When you will apply the Word of God to your life, there is going to be great benefits from this. And the question I want to begin with is this. Do you believe that many people say that they admire? They believe they trust in scriptural truth? But the question that I have is this does their life reflect such statements? We're going to be looking at a segment of Psalm 119. And the psalmist is going to speak about the great benefits from obedience to the instructions of God, the law of God, the commandments of God. And if we agree with him, our life is going to be noticeably different. We're going to behave in a submissive way, we're going to agree with God and that we're going to live a life that manifests obedience to what God commands recognizing His commandments are good. Does His commandments save us? Of course not. We are saved by grace. It's a free gift from God through faith and faith, specifically, in the work of Messiah on Passover, the day that he was crucified. But as a believer, we need to affirm scriptural truth and realize that God blesses God moves in a mighty way for those who submit to all of his instructions, and why should we do so? Because it's the right thing to do. And when we do so, God is going to become most active in our life. And as I've said, there are going to be benefits. Well take out your Bible, and look with me if you would to Psalm 119. And we're going to begin and verse 129, again, Psalm 119. And the first verse that we're going to look at, is verse 129. Now, it begins with a phrase, it says here, marvelous or Wonderful. Now, what's important is this, this word for wonderful or marvelous, is in the plural. Why is that? Because the testimonies of God, and what are the testimonies of God? These are actions that God takes in light of who he is, and in light of what He commands us to do. In other words, God affirms his word, God behaves according to his character, and when we take hold of his word, and when we submit to His instructions, we're going to have a similar testimony, meaning this, we too, are going to document to others testify to others

concerning the character of God. And guard, God is marvelous. He is wonderful, and abundant way and that's why this first word here is in the plural. So we read, wonderful, are your testimonies. Therefore, and this is where it gets interesting. Because someone truly believes that God testimony meaning how God behaves, what he says, Everything about him is marvelous and wonderful in an abundant way. Because of that, there is going to be a response from us. We read in the second part of this verse, where he says, Therefore, my soul, now many Bibles will say I and not bring in the literal illness of what said here. He says and uses the word Nef she my soul. Why is that word there rather than just the Hebrew I need for i Big Because when the word soul is used, it gives a spiritual context to this verse, meaning this, when we truly agree, and remember, we can't lie to ourselves, and we can't lie to God. Therefore, when we truly believe that the ways of God, His testimonies are wonderful and marvelous in an abundant way, if that is truly how we believe, our life is going to reflect that there's going to be a spiritual response from us. And what is that? He says here, therefore, my soul has kept them, meaning what your testimonies I want to be. In other words, what the psalmist is saying is that he wants to be like God, now understand what I mean by that, like the character of God. God is holy, He wants to be holy, God is righteous, He wants to be righteous. He's not saying obviously, that he's he's going to be divine. That's ridiculous. He's saying that he wants to have a testimony like God, similar to the fact that God is good, God is holy, God is righteous, God is just, he wants to have that same type of testimony being expressed through his life. Then look at the next verse, verse 130, it begins with the word pay tuck, which is an opening, or some Bibles will say, an entrance, what we're talking about in a better sense, is simply the beginning of your word. And what it says is, with the opening of God's word, meaning, the beginning part of God's revelation, when we begin to examine scripture, and the first things that we see, the first things that we learn the beginning of God's revelation to us, notice what it says that this revelation, this truth, his word, even the beginning of it, is a source of Revelation, it says here, the beginning of your word, it will illuminate, meaning there's going to be a benefit. And it's going to make make understanding, even to those who are what the Scripture calls, the simple ones. So those who are not exceedingly smart, but those who are very minimal in their knowledge and understanding, we begin to study his word. And we are going to learn immediately from God's word, there's going to be revelation from Him. In other words, what this verse is expressing is this, that God is going to speak to us, he is going to grant us revelation, he is going to give us His truth, his wisdom, His understanding his knowledge, to a certain degree for those who open up and begin to study his word. So his revelation will make even the simple ones to have understanding, verse 131. Now, what happens when God gives understanding to an individual, even one who is very basic, in his knowledge and his his ability to understand, it says this, my mouth, I have open, and I will, and this next word is a word of aspiration, a word of desire. Now, some will say that this word has to do with with simply an individual wanting, desiring aspiring to something, and what is that? Because your commandments, and then he uses a different word for a strong wanting a strong desire, he says, For your commandments, I have desired. Now remember, one of the characteristics of Hebrew poetry is parallelism. And we see that in these two words, one, oftentimes translated as, as someone aspiring and the other one, an individual having a strong desire. And what is it for? Well, notice what it says here for your commandments. Now we need to aspire usually that word for aspiring to something shows a challenge. It's something we aspire to. It's something that we want to achieve, and what should we want to achieve what should be the foundation of our prayer life? We should aspire and our prayer should reflect this, the commandments of God, not just to know them, not just to speak them to others, but to perform them. Why? Because when we do the commandments of God, we are bearing witness,

we have a testimony, that that that reflects upon God's presence, His power, and His provision in our life. Look down to the next verse, verse 132, he says here, and this is a word for journey. So he says, turn unto me, and be gracious unto me, according to your judgment. Now, here, what he's saying is God, I want you to examine me, I want you in my life. And I want you to be gracious to be looking at me, and be gracious unto me. According to your measurement. This word, Miss spot, or judgment is an evaluation of what we truly need from God's perspective. So God looks at our life. This is what the psalmist is asking for. God examined me and supply to me what according to your judgment, your evaluation of me what I truly need, need for what purpose? Well, we're studying Psalm 190. And it is a psalm that that exalts God, for His commandments, his laws, his precepts, his ordinances, his loss. So we aspire, we want God to work in our life, in order that that we lacked nothing, in order that we might obey Him. Now, this is where wisdom really begins to manifest itself in a person's life. And that is, when we desire we aspire the commandments of God, to know them, to understand them, and to implement them in our life. When we have that desire, we can expect that God is going to provide God is going to look at us see what we're lacking, so that we can receive that, and have an obedient testimony, that we can have a witness that says, we are obedient servants of God. And that is a good thing. We need to get away from from this false understanding of legalism. What is legalism? Theologically. Legalism is when someone teaches us that one must do this, one must do that, in order to be saved. This is not what we're talking about. In fact, most of the people that are going to hear this teaching, are strong believers, committed believers, they've already been saved. They are already assured by God's grace, the promise of eternal life, everlasting life and the kingdom. They're going to be there. They're not trying to achieve anything for the purpose of being saved. They realize that they already have been saved and saved eternally by God's grace. So it's not legalism that we're talking about its obedience. And obedience is a good thing. When we obey the instructions of God, let me just say, it's simply when we implement God's Word in our life, through faith and faith in Messiah by means of the anointing and the activity of the Holy Spirit in our life. What do we do? We bear testimony to others, that we are under God's authority, that he is leading us that we belong to him, and that we are committed to Him. And we need to understand something that God he says, whom the Lord loves, He disciplines meaning this, God loves that person, God's going to work and influence that person, so that that person will not have a need to be to be punished or discipline, but God's going to work in that person's life to bring them to obedience. This is another aspect of God's love. So what we see here, we all know the verse from the book of Romans, where it says in Romans eight, that all things together work for good, but you have to be careful for those Those who first love God, what does Messiah Say If you love me, you are going to obey my commandments. So for those who love God, and here's the second part, who are also called according to the purposes of God, so we love God. But that's not enough. We also need to submit to God's call in our life. That's what spiritual maturity is about. And when we love God, and we are committed to the purposes of God, then and only then we can be assured that all things are going to work together for good, that whatever happens to us, God is going to, to bring that into a blessing in our life that's going to mature us, strengthen us, teach us something, but God's going to work in a mighty way. So he says, here, turn unto me, and be gracious to me, according to your judgment, your evaluation, why will he st to those who love and love what your name? Now, almost without exception, when we come across in our study, the word name, the Hebrew word, Shem, Shem, the word name in Hebrew is synonymous with character. So those who love the name, meaning the name of God, your name, oh, God, they are committed to God's character. What does that mean? In a practical sense, it means that they have a desire to to imitate God to be like God, that say differently, to submit to His

Word, to submit to, to those things that manifest God's character, his name in our life, that he has placed His name upon us. What does that mean? We are his purchase possession, we belong to Him. And therefore, we, because we had been bought with the price, we're no longer our own. But we are the purchase possession of God, we are going to want to demonstrate his character, to show that we are part of his family. So he says here, turn unto me and be gracious unto me, according to your judgment, your evaluation, for those who love your name, verse 133. Here the psalmist goes on, and he says, My steps, he asks God, prepare, and prepare them with your word. Now, this is a very practical statement, that God is saying here through the Somis, we want God to work in our life, and to lead us to guide us to position us where he wants us to be. So the psalmist says, My steps, how I'm traveling, where I'm going, he says, My steps, prepare, and our steps are prepared. But he says here, your word, and do not allow to rule over me any any wickedness. Now we see something. God prepares our way, so that we journey, and this traveling this way, speaking of is also related to behavior. So we know that if we go for example, to the book of Acts, their early believers were called the people of the way, what does that mean? They had a lifestyle, they had a character that was very different than than the rest of the world. And why did they, because of their faith in Messiah. So they were known as the people of the way and how did they get in the way they get in that way through the word of God. That's why he says your look again at our verse, verse 133. My steps prepare with your word, and do not allow to rule over me.

#### **Baruch Korman 19:20**

Any wickedness, we don't want wickedness in our life, wickedness. In fact, if you look at at the epistle, the second epistle of Paul to the Thessalonians, it speaks here about something very important. It speaks I believe, in verse seven, about the the lawlessness and the wickedness that's in the world, which is an outcome of who? The spirit of the Antichrist, that's what he's about, but we don't belong to Him. We belong to the true Messiah. You should mean it's right, Jesus of Nazareth. And then therefore, because of that, we don't want any wickedness in our life to rule over us. We want righteousness to rule over us. Look now to verse 134. It says here, redeem me. And this means God, acknowledge your ownership over my life, that you aren't Master, you are my Lord, You are my savior. So he says, Here, redeem me from oppressive men. Now, that's simply men that that oppress. What are we talking about here? And why is that there that verse at this time? Here's what he's talking about. Through redemption, we are no longer going to be oppressed by others, manipulated by others, controlled by others. What do we have, instead of being in bondage, redemption, and this is the word to pay for redemption, provide what is necessary for redemption? What is that blood, and that's why Messiah died. That's why he shed his blood, in order that we could be redeemed, and that we could be delivered, meaning that we could be set free of a bondage. And why is that? He says here, redeem me from an oppressive man. Why? He says, and I will keep your orders. Now again, we've we've mentioned this word several times, this word peak could be could here is a command or an oral I've said to you many, many times, this word is usually a verbal commandment. And order that a superior, a higher ranking official or officer gives a lower one. And really, there's no option. If you are in the army, and your commander orders you to do something, and guess what? You do it. And this is what it's saying here in this passage of Scripture. He says, redeem me from a man that, oh, precipice, and what is he going to do with that redemption, He says, I will keep your orders your commands. And then he says, your face, illuminate upon your servant. And this tells us what the psalmist wants to be. He wants to be a servant of God, let me ask you, do you see many people, they supposedly come to faith, maybe

they have maybe that they're confused about something, but they come to a degree of faith. And what happens? They start ordering God around. And that's what their prayer life becomes. They want to tell God, I have this problem this need and such, and therefore do that. That's not faith. Now, it's fine to make known your, your intercessions, your supplications your requests to God, obviously, and God wants to work in our life. God wants to move in order that we can be free to obey Him. This is very, very important. God will move in our lives so that we are free that were brought out of bondage in order that we can serve Him, but it always comes down to that that we serve Him. Therefore he says, your face, this is the word for the presence of God, your present, presence illuminate with your servant. And when God illuminates, and someone who sees himself as a servant of God, notice what he says, and teach me Your statutes, or your laws or your precepts. However, you want to translate that word coke. What do you say saying, God, he will bring illumination for the purpose of us, recognizing His Lordship, that's who he is. He's the Lord of lords, the King of kings, recognizing His Lordship. And when we do that, God is going to teach us he's going to give us truth. He is going to set things clear for us in regard to His Word, His nature, his character, and how he wants us to respond. So he says, your face, illuminate on your servant and teach me Your statutes. Now, what we see here is this. We see that God's presence gives us insight, insight for living, insight for obeying God. Let's go to our last verse. Notice what he says. streams of water have rolled down my eyes have or will roll down my eyes. So what's it talking about? This individual is crying. He is in great spiritual distress. Why is that? Why is this one crying and clearly this is the idiom. And the proper understanding of that in a minute when idiom when he says, pow, gay mime streams or channels of water, they roll down my eyes, literally, they they come down my eyes concerning that they did not keep your law, your tour. What it says here is that these individuals are grieving. And why are they grieving? They're grieving because they see people not obeying the commandments of God, not submitting to his laws, his rules, his orders, they they want to be they think, under liberty, but but that liberty, what it's apart from the commandments of God, that liberty is really just going to produce sin. And when there is sin, that person is going to fall back into bondage. We don't want that. The purpose of Psalm 119 is to get us to cherish the Word of God to respect his word, and to understand the benefits of obeying His word Scylla masscue? Do you truly have a desire to obey God? To submit to Him that do you desire that the character of God be in you, whereby you begin to testify, bear witness to his character, by the words you speak, the decisions you make, and the actions you take? That's what spiritual maturity is all about. spiritual maturity is when we become like him. Why? One reason? Because it's the best way. Because being like God, meaning, happiness character again, do we become vine, divine? Of course, we're always human. But God is going to do something through faith in the gospel. He causes us to be a new creation, a kingdom creation, we become a new man, or a new woman with a new desire, and what is that new desire to do? To obey God? So let me ask you, are you truly desiring? Are you aspiring to obey God? This is the liberty that we have through the grace of God. God's grace sets us free and we will be indeed free. But that freedom that Liberty has a primary purpose, we have liberty to submit to God. That's the change that God has made in our lives. So ask yourself, Do I really want to obey God? If you're a true believer, you will. If you a false believer, your your aspiration is to try to do things to get God to do what you want. That's not how a true believer is. A true believer has a spirit of submissiveness. That's how we recognize whether truly we're being led by the Spirit or led by our carnal nature. Well, I'll close with that until next week. May God bless you, Shalom from Israel

**Intro Voice** 29:10

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