

Discussion Guide: June 16, 2024
Joe Boerman, Pam Gillaspie
Message: *Reading the Bible Brings Joy*
Series: *The Heart Behind It*

PRIMARY PASSAGE (NASB, 1995 update): Psalm 119:65-72

Teth.

You have dealt well with Your servant, O LORD, according to Your word. Teach me good discernment and knowledge, for I believe in Your commandments. Before I was afflicted I went astray, but now I keep Your word. You are good and do good; teach me Your statutes. The arrogant have forged a lie against me; with all my heart I will observe Your precepts. Their heart is covered with fat, but I delight in Your law. It is good for me that I was afflicted, that I may learn Your statutes. The law of Your mouth is better to me than thousands of gold and silver pieces.

MESSAGE HIGHLIGHTS

- What reading the Bible has done for us
- What familiarity with God's words did for the Psalm writer
- What reading the Bible will do for you

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

1. Talk about a recent time when some portion of the Bible was of help to you.
2. Read Psalm 119:65-72 in unison.
3. Is there a particular thought from the text that stood out to you as you read?
4. Pam and Joe made two applications to consider at the end of their message:
 - Ask God to give you a hunger and love for feeding on His word.
Have you done that?
 - Don't go it alone. Find other people to read the Word with you.

PRAYER

*Dear God, give me a fresh hunger for Your voice and Your words in the Bible.
Help me arrange my schedule to include a consistent reading of Your Word. Amen*