



**CALVARY  
MEMORIAL  
CHURCH**

February 15, 2026 – Winter Psalms 2026

## *Why do we desire and long for God’s Word?*

Psalm 119:18, 24, 32, 71

Psalm 119:18

Open my eyes,  
that I may behold wondrous things out of your law.

Psalm 119:24

Your testimonies are my delight; they are my counselors.

Psalm 119:32

I will run in the way of your commandments  
when you enlarge my heart!

Psalm 119:71

It is good for me that I was afflicted,  
that I might learn your statutes.

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*Psalm 94:19*

*When the cares of my heart are many, your consolations cheer  
my soul.*

*John 8:31–32, 36*

*So Jesus said to the Jews who had believed him,  
“If you abide in my word, you are truly my disciples,  
<sup>32</sup>and you will know the truth, and the truth will set you free.”  
<sup>36</sup>So if the Son sets you free, you will be free indeed.*

*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.*

*Psalm 119:67*

*Before I was afflicted I went astray, but now I keep your word.*

*James 1:2–4*

*<sup>2</sup>Count it all joy, my brothers, when you meet trials of various  
kinds, <sup>3</sup>for you know that the testing of your faith produces  
steadfastness. <sup>4</sup>And let steadfastness have its full effect, that you  
may be perfect and complete, lacking in nothing.*

*Four reasons:*

### ***1. You can and should ask the Lord to open your eyes!***

“Open my eyes,  
that I may behold wondrous things out of your law.”  
*(119:18) Also Ephesians 1:16ff; 2 Corinthians 4:16-18*

### ***2. Always trust the Word as a trusted counselor!***

Psalm 119:24  
“Your testimonies are my delight; they are my counselors.”  
*(119:24) Also 2 Timothy 3:16-17; Psalm 19:7-14; Acts 26:17-18*

### ***3. The Lord will enlarge your heart through the Word!***

“I will run in the way of your commandments  
when you enlarge my heart!”  
*(119:32) Also 1 Kings 4:29-30; John 8:31-32,36; Acts 10:14ff*

### ***4. Be attentive to the Word when in affliction!***

It is good for me that I was afflicted,  
that I might learn your statutes.  
*(119:71, 67). Also James 1:2-4; Romans 5:1-5*

Application questions on the back →

--- *Four reasons we desire and long for God's Word* ---

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**SUNDAY after church...**

Think through your morning and: 1) List and praise the Lord for specific encouragement you were able to give! 2) List and praise the Lord for specific encouragement you received! 3) List songs or lyrics that touched your heart.

**MONDAY**

**DISCUSSION STARTER:** Read Psalm 119:18 and 2 Corinthians 4:16-18. Psalm 119:18 is a prayer asking the Lord to open our eyes. From 2 Corinthians 4:16-18, write out what it is He opens our eyes to. Is it something we can do ourselves? Why not? Write out what the "unseen things" are.

**TUESDAY**

**DISCUSSION STARTER:** Read Psalm 119:24 and 94:19. From your own life, write out times when the Word comforted you during hard times. Mention how it comforted and counseled you. How was its counsel different from your own inclinations?

**WEDNESDAY**

**DISCUSSION STARTER:** Read John 8:31-32, 36. These speak of freedom which is an enlarged heart. What things hinder or bind your heart? How does the Word enlarge your heart and set it to be free in Christ?

**THURSDAY and FRIDAY**

**DISCUSSION STARTER:** Read Psalm 119:71 and 67. Write out how the Word uses or explains affliction in your life. Then write out how the afflictions drew open the Word for you.

**SATURDAY**

**Prepare** your heart for Sunday's gathering by being ready to fully engage in the worship.