

Men of Unity 2017
A Psalm For Every Season
“The *Word* of God, Its Warnings and Rewards”
Psalm 19

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Moreover, by them is your servant warned, in keeping them there is a great reward. (Psalm 19:11)

I. The Word of God is Light in the World

- a. The psalmist compared God’s Word to the sun. The sun is everything to the natural world.
 1. The world would be dark, fruitless and lifeless without the sun.
- b. God’s Word is everything in the spiritual world. It has an illuminating influence in the life of Christians. We would be lost in darkness and destined to die a spiritual death without it.
- c. God’s Word enriches the mind with revelation, the heart with comfort and the life with holiness.
- d. Those that live on God’s Word realize the more revelation you have the more you desire.
- e. All living things that live by light, thrive in the light and desire to have more light.

II. The Word of God Sustains Life

- a. The Word of God is our keeper, the watcher of our souls, and warns us as danger approaches.
 1. The different parts of Scriptures; statutes, doctrines, ordinances, promises and precepts warn us of impending danger. (1 Tim 3:16-17)
 2. The Word of God is infallible (reliable) (Prov. 30:5-6). His Word is the supreme authority to perfect our lives.
 3. God’s Word is complete. (Revelation 22:18-19) The Word needs no additives.
 4. His Word is authoritative. (Psalm 119:89) The Bible is *our* supreme authority in all matters of faith and conduct.
 5. The Word of God will accomplish what it promises. (Isaiah 55:11) These promises bring comfort to our lives in times of trials.

III. How do the Holy Scriptures Warn Us?

- a. By pointing out sin, describing its nature and danger. When we study the Word of God we learn that sin is nothing to play with, because sin is a separator and a devourer.
- b. Scriptures remind us of our duties. We must be about our Father’s business. Walking in righteousness keeps us from walking in unrighteousness.
- c. God’s Word teaches us about human weaknesses while setting examples to follow.
- d. The Word warns us against the temptations that are in the world around us.
- e. Scriptures warn us to expect trial. The Bible never promises the easy life.
- f. The Bible warns us to be ready when the Lord returns.

IV. What Are the Great Rewards for Keeping God’s Word?

- a. First of all to keep God’s Word means to intently study it.
- b. Know your Bible in its fullest. NLT, NKJV, ESV, NASB... It is not as easy as ABC.
- c. What are the rewards?
 1. Peace of mind. When a man is in the will of God the Lord will give him peace.
 2. Increase in revelation. Knowing what to do and what not to do.
 3. Connecting truth for personal application.
 4. Transformed character that attracts, power in prayer and obedience to God.
- d. If you are keeping the Word, then God is keeping you by His Word.
- e. Let the light of God’s Word shine in you so that you can shine in the world.
- f. The Word of God gives life. Speak life.