

Psalm 119:9

by Brent Yim

Obedience to God's Word is the key to cleansing one's ways and finding salvation and security.

Scripture: Psalm 23:3, Psalm 25:4, Psalm 37:23, Psalm 119:9, Psalm 119:11, Psalm 119:105, Psalm 119:133, Proverbs 3:5, Proverbs 4:11, Proverbs 16:9

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Description

Brent Yim emphasizes the struggle young men face with immorality and rebellion, stemming from a sin-stricken nature that rejects God's standards. The remedy to this pervasive issue, applicable to all of humanity, is found in obedience to God's Word, as highlighted by the psalmist. By walking in divine counsel, individuals experience purification and protection, recognizing the reliability of God's guidance as a lamp for their path. Choosing to align with the Lord's ways offers salvation and security from the corrupt influences of the world.

Transcript

"How can a young man cleanse his ways? ... By taking heed according to Your word."

Many young men, due to a lack of wisdom, find themselves frequenting the highly-travelled path of immorality that inevitably leads to their future destruction. Their youthful lusts and self-serving pursuits in many ways exemplify the wickedness of the human condition while also affirming the scriptural truth that all men are born into this world with a sin-stricken nature that results in a lifestyle that adamantly rejects God's righteous standard. Therefore, to discover a remedy that would successfully harness the excessive rebellion that is so apparent in the lives of young men would, consequently, result in a resolution that could be applied to the entirety of fallen humanity.

Thus, the psalmist, in a simple and concise statement, provides the solution to a problem that has plagued humanity throughout the ages -- obedience to God's Word. How clearly this proclamation echoes within the hearts of those who have experienced the purifying and protecting effect of walking in the way of divine counsel -- those who have personally discovered the reliability of this undeniable proclamation.

No wonder that elsewhere this same worshipper of God would announce, "Your Word is a lamp unto my feet and a light unto my path."

Having personally experienced the harmful consequences of walking according to his own sinful ways, he had now found safety in the preserving care of God's unpolluted guidance.

Praise the Lord that we, as children of God, are also guaranteed a salvation and security from the contaminated paths of this world when we choose to walk in accordance with the pure ways of the Lord!

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