

Psalm 119

Introduction and Overview

1. The Authorship and Structure of Psalm 119:

- a. Authorship: _____ but likely an _____. –vs 23, 46, 110
- b. An _____ poem with eight lines for each Hebrew letter:
 - i. Signifies _____ of theme and content. –v. 160
 - ii. Displays _____ in a chaotic and hostile world. –v. 161
 - iii. Aids in _____. –v. 58
- c. A prayer to the God of the _____ about the _____ of God:
 - i. Nearly every verse mentions God's _____. –vs. 84, 121, 122
 - ii. Nearly every verse is _____ to _____ Himself. –vs. 1-3, 115

2. Key Terms in Psalm 119:

- a. Eight synonyms used to speak of God's Word:
 - i. Law (x25): _____ and instruction. –v. 23
 - ii. Word (x24): general term of God's _____ in any form.
 - iii. Testimonies (x23): _____ and faithfulness. –Deut 31:26
 - iv. Commandments (x23): God's _____ and right to speak.
 - v. Rules/judgments (x22): God's _____. –Ex 21:1
 - vi. Statutes (x21): binding force and _____. –Isa 30:8
 - vii. Precepts (x21): order and attention to _____. –Jer 23:2
 - viii. Word/promise (x 19): That which God has _____.
- b. Terms that communicate the psalmist's _____ with God:
 - i. _____ and _____: this Psalm deals with a _____.
 - ii. ____, ____, and ____: this Psalm is intensely _____.

3. Key Themes in Psalm 119:

- a. _____: delight, satisfaction and joy in God and His Word.
- b. _____: pleas for help, instruction, and sustenance.
- c. _____: response on the psalmist's part to God's faithfulness and the excellence of His Word.

Psalm 119:1-8

Blessed are those whose way is blameless,
who walk in the law of the LORD!
² Blessed are those who keep his testimonies,
who seek him with their whole heart,
³ who also do no wrong,
but walk in his ways!
⁴ You have commanded your precepts
to be kept diligently.
⁵ Oh that my ways may be steadfast
in keeping your statutes!
⁶ Then I shall not be put to shame,
having my eyes fixed on all your commandments.
⁷ I will praise you with an upright heart,
when I learn your righteous rules.
⁸ I will keep your statutes;
do not utterly forsake me!