

Psalm 119 – Session 10: Verses 169-176

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// Community Question

Have you ever experienced something so good that it made you dissatisfied in every other form of it? How did it change your preferences moving forward?

// **Scripture:** Read Psalm 119:169-176.

// Discussion Questions:

- 1. What does David ask for in verses 169–170? In what form does he ask for these to be given?
- 2. Matt observed that David's desire to be delivered according to God's Word is the difference between desiring worldly wisdom and the supernatural wisdom only God can provide.

 Have different individuals look up one of these verses and then read them one right after another: Isaiah 55:8-9; Proverbs 4:5-7; Proverbs 9:10; Proverbs 11:2; James 1:5-7

What is the difference be knowledge and wisdom and how can we attain wisdom?

- 3 Matt said that when it comes to God's commands, He is "never trying to take anything from us; He's trying to give to us." What do you think about that statement? Do you see God's commands as leading to joy, or do you tend to see them as restrictive? Why?
- 4. In verse 175, David confesses that even though he loves and follows God's ways, he still needs help. I have strayed like a lost sheep. Seek your servant, for I have not forgotten your commands. Read Paul's similar statement in Romans 7:21 25. How do you react to your own failures to obey God's Word? What does your response tell you about your view of God?
- 5. Who have you known that longs for God with a "holy dissatisfaction"? How has their relationship with Christ impressed upon you?
- // Challenge: You can only coast if you're going downhill.

 What would it look like for you to grow in your longing for God and His Word? How could you begin pursuing that longing in the days ahead?
- // **Reflect:** This is the last lesson of Psalm 119. David wrote this as he traveled through life and his faith in God grew. If you would have written down your view of God before this series compared to now, how would it differ?