



HIS WORD / OUR HOPE

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PSALM 119:15 NKJV – (15) I will meditate on Your precepts and contemplate Your ways.

In the next to the last verse of this stanza, the psalmist continues to his resolutions for how he will store God's Word in his heart and guard his way with it. Just as he has determined to declare and delight in the Scriptures, now he focuses upon his need to meditate upon God's precepts.

Through many challenging seasons of life, I've sought solace in the **Psalms**. When my emotions overwhelm me, the God-inspired words of the psalmists are quick to soothe my soul by speaking directly to my heart and comforting my spirit. As I read, I often find myself quietly rejoicing that the living, breathing Word of God sees and understands me so completely. So, when I recently opened my Bible to **Psalm 119** in the midst of a challenging season, I wasn't surprised when God met me on the pages. Over and over again, He reminded me that His Word is completely sufficient in every circumstance and season.

As we go into **2024** (If it is His will), I want you to know that His word is our "Hope." Challenges will continue, attacks will take place and so will the test and God shall expect us to fulfill our purpose through faith in Him. To receive what He is saying (relate) takes a relationship with Him. Satan wants to deceive you by influencing you to stay on the same pattern you've been on.

Should you do that (stay on the same path), you will hinder the growth that awaits to blossom. Remember, there is a way that seems right. In the end it results to death (**PROVERBS 14:12**). Make these remaining days, months and years about God.

SCRIPTURE READING: PSALM 119:6

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK: You have nothing to lose if His word is your final answer.