



MARCH 31

Passage: Psalm 119:49-56

Yo! Sorry, that's not cool anymore... what's up! Today, before you read clear your mind and your heart. Whatever is going on up in that mind of yours. Breathe! Check out the devo, it's all about God and his word driving us to love him and hate what is against him. Pray before you start!

READ & DIG. Read Psalm 119:49-56 (underline every reference to God's Word.)

Let's zone in on a few verses in this passage!

COMFORT AND HOPE (49-50) One thing the Psalmist continues to push to in every Psalm it seems is that God's word is where hope and comfort is found! Many things in life may scare us, seem as if they can overcome us... but the one thing that will provide us with hope is God's word. His promises don't fail, they never have, and they never will! What do you cling tightly to? Cling to the one thing that will not fade and will not fail – God's Word!

COUNTERCULTURE: Often we face those who are completely against what we believe. The Psalmist faced that very thing! But checkout how he responds to this! (51 & 53) He doesn't turn away from the Lord's Word and he gets angry (indignation) because of those who forsake God's Word. Many times, we give into others when they push against God and his Word. However, the Psalmist clings to the Word and gets righteously angry when others speak against his Word! Regardless of his surroundings the Psalms chooses God, do you? – Hate what God hates and love what God loves regardless of who you're around!

WERE NOT ALONE (54): Definitely an odd verse it seems. Statutes are God's Word, his rules, his commandments. The Psalmist says that God's words have been his songs wherever he is. The Psalmist is pointing to the fact that God's word is what carries him, is with him during all times... in the house of sojourning. Sojourning means wandering. Basically, the Psalmist is saying when I am wandering, wherever I am – God's Word is with me! Do you feel alone sometimes? Remember God is with you!

BLESSINGS TO BELIEVERS You're blessed! Did you know that if you are a follower of Christ you are eternally and daily blessed! The Psalmist gets it! (56) Now we may not have a ton of money, ton of friends, ton of skills, ton of brains... but what you do have is a place in Christ! A God who loves you and cares greatly for you! You are blessed! When you feel broken, like you have nothing, remember – you are blessed!

Apply & GO

We are called to be different in the world, but we're never alone - we have comfort & hope in God!

Live today with God's Word in mind! Look back through the Psalm, look back through the devotion. What is the truth you struggle with the most?

That God provides your ultimate comfort and hope? Living counterculturally? Feeling alone?

That you are actually blessed?

Whatever it is write down _____.

Pray the Lord would help you believe deeper that he is there!