



CALVARY BAPTIST CHURCH
NINILCHIK

WEDNESDAY PRAYER MEETING

Mid-Week Devotional

SERIES:

“Christ in the Psalms”

December 8th, 2021

“The Golden Psalm: Tzadiy”

Psalm 119:137-144

MEMORIZATION CHALLENGE

in א (*alef*), Psa 119:1

in ב (*beyt*), Psa 119:11

in ג (*gimel*), Psa 119:18

in ד (*daleth*), Psa 119:29

in ה (*heh*), Psa 119:37

in ו (*vav*), Psa 119:45

in ז (*zayin*), Psa 119:50

in ח (*cheth*), Psa 119:63

in ט (*teth*), Psa 119:66

in י (*yod*), Psa 119:73

in כ (*khaf*), Psa 119:81

in ל (*lamed*), Psa 119:89

in מ (*mem*), Psa 119:97

in נ (*nun*), Psa 119:105

in ס (*samek*), Psa 119:114

in ע (*ayin*), Psa 119:128

in פ (*peh*), Psa 119:133

in צ (*tzadiy*), Psa 119:137

in ק (*qoph*), Psa 119:149

in ר (*resh*), Psa 119:160

in ש (*shin*), Psa 119: 162

in ת (*tav*), Psa 119:172

TZADIY צ, ץ

צ (TZA-dee) is the 18th letter of the Hebrew *alef-beyt*. The ancient symbol/letter for tzadiy is a man on his side...



The modern tzadiy (צ) has a sound resembling the English “ts” or “tz” sound, as in ‘nuts.’ A few common words beginning with tzadiy are....

צֹאן (*tzōn*) means “sheep” or “flock” (Gen 4:2)

תְּצִיץ (*tze-TZEET*) means “fringes” (Num 15:38-39)

צֹרֵחַ (*tzootz*) means “flower” or “blossom” (Num 17:8)

Tzadiy is feminine in gender, and by its ancient pictograph, means “wait,” “hunt,” “chase,” or “snare.”

As the 18th letter, tzadiy has the numerical value of ‘90.’ Because tzadiy has a final form (ץ), tzadiy sofiyt has a numerical value of ‘900.’

Two tzadiy words are used in Jeremiah 23:5-6 for two of Messiah’s titles: “Behold, the days are coming, declares the LORD, when I will raise up for David a righteous Branch, and He shall reign as king and deal wisely, and shall execute justice and righteousness in the land. **v6** In His days Judah will be saved, and Israel will dwell securely. And this is the name by which He will be called: ‘The LORD is our righteousness.’” Branch = צִמָּח (*tze-MACH*), Righteous = צַדִּיק (*tzad-DEEQ*). The Lord Jesus is the יהוה צדיקו and He will be called (YHVH *tzid-qe-NU*).

PSALM 119:137-144 TZADIY WORDS

v137 צדיק (*tzad-DEEQ*) = “righteous” or “just”

While the Bible-believing Christian cannot conceive of an unrighteous God, the truth of God’s pure righteousness is off foreign to us because of the sin that so easily besets us. (Rom 11:33)

v138 צוית (*tziv-vee-TA*) = “You appointed” or “You commanded”

While God’s testimonies have been commanded to us, they have been appointed for Christ’s fulfillment in Christ’s righteousness. (Psa 40:7-8)

v139 צמתחני (*tzim-TAT-neeey*) = “I am consumed”

We should either be consumed with zeal for Christ, or be empowered to be refreshing unto Christ & to others for Christ’s sake. (Rev 3:15-16)

v140 צרופה (*tz'-ru-FAH*) = “tested,” “tried,” “proven” as in smelting

We are tested to force impurities to the surface where they may be dealt with, but God’s Word (like Christ) reveals its purity. (Psa 12:6)

v141 צעיר (*tza-IYR*) = “small,” “least,” “little,” “youngest,” “few”

The Lord Jesus became least in His Father’s house & Servant of all. (Luke 22:27)

v142 צדקתך (*tzid-qat-KHA*) = “Your righteousness”

Jesus was, is, & evermore shall be righteous. (Heb 13:8)

v143 צר־ומצוק (*tzar oo-ma-TZŌQ*) = “trouble and anguish”

On the night Jesus was betrayed, he prayed in Olivet’s garden in anguish, & trouble (Judas & the Sanhedrin guard) found Him. (Luke 22:44, 47)

v144 צדק (*TZE-deq*) = “just,” “right,” “righteous,” “justice”

The testimonies of Christ are as righteous as the character of His person; Jesus, the living Word, is the embodiment of the written Word. (v142; John 1:1, 14)

CHALLENGE

Righteous are You, O LORD, and right are Your rules. Psalm 119:137, ESV

Challenge: Memorize v137 in your favorite Bible version. Each morning when you rise, consider the righteousness of the Lord Jesus Christ— do so for ascending minutes (1 min. Thursday, then add a minute each day until Wednesday morning when you consider thoughts of Christ’s righteousness for 7 min.). Each morning jot down with pencil and paper your thought & response. Prepare to share one blessing from these meditations next week.

What to Pray for This Week:

1. May the blessed truth of Your Word minister to us as we pray.
2. May our prayers begin sounding like those prayed in Scripture because You're conforming our lives to Christ.
3. May our focus in prayer be upon You, and not for the ears of man.
4. Pour out Your Spirit upon Christ's church, and upon the world.
5. Purify Your children, and unite us to worship You in Christ, with one heart, one mind and one accord.
6. Raise up godly ministers unto Your harvest, and bless those who are already laboring in Your field.
7. Be merciful unto us by bringing saving faith to our unsaved family, friends, neighbors, the village of Ninilchik, and all the residents of the Kenai Peninsula.
8. Remove from us all pride, haughtiness and arrogance, and make us ever watchful against the flesh and every temptation from the enemy.
9. Humble us as we commune with You in prayer, and keep us from lip-service, from deedless word religion and heartless works religion.
10. Teach us to abide in Christ each time we pray; that our hearts may be knit to His so we may glorify You.

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