

## **The Wisdom of the Blessed**

This 13th stanza of the 119th Psalm is headed by the Hebrew letter *Mem*. This letter most often functions as a \_\_\_\_\_\_ either independently or attached to nouns. Several interrogatives start with *mem* such as who, how, what and why.

It is of interest that there are NO \_\_\_\_\_\_ made in this section. Rather, there are a series of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_that are made. These declarations flow from the exceeding \_\_\_\_\_\_that David has for the Word of God. David declares his \_\_\_\_\_\_ for God's Word at least 12 times in this Psalm (v. 47, 48, 97, 113, 119, 127, 132, 140, 159, 163, 165, 167). Because of this deep \_\_\_\_\_\_, he had given himself to the Word on a \_\_\_\_\_\_ basis, and its truths had become deeply \_\_\_\_\_\_ in his \_\_\_\_\_\_ (Col. 3.16). As such, the Word of God had been a source of constant \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_. He had \_\_\_\_\_\_ (119.97,99) on its truth. This \_\_\_\_\_\_ developed into a spiritual \_\_\_\_\_\_ that had great \_\_\_\_\_\_ in his life.

1) A Spiritual Mindset Produces Great \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (v. 98- 100) - David contrasts \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ obtained with the \_\_\_\_\_\_ with that of his \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ enemies. These enemies in their \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ wisdom had sought every opportunity to \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ him. His enemies had contemplated (meditated) on David's destruction : digged \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (v.85), \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ him (v.84), \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ perversely (v. 78), forged \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ against him (v. 69), \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ him (v.61), \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ in his life (v. 53), had him in great \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (v. 51), \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ against him (v. 23), \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ a snare (v. 110), \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ him (v.134), \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ him without a cause (v.161).

God's wisdom had propelled his understanding (\_\_\_\_\_\_) beyond three specific groups: Mine \_\_\_\_\_(v. 98), My \_\_\_\_\_\_(v. 99), and the \_\_\_\_\_\_(v.100).

Unlike his adversaries, David attained wisdom that was from \_\_\_\_\_\_ (Jam. 3.14-18). This was his ready \_\_\_\_\_\_ because he *walked in the law of the Lord* (Psa. 119.1). Though he had sat at the feet of \_\_\_\_\_\_ men , his understanding was \_\_\_\_\_\_ because of his relationship to and \_\_\_\_\_\_ of the Word of God. The ancients likely could be the \_\_\_\_\_\_ of Israel (Psa. 107.32), yet David's keen dedication to the Law of God secured his discernment.

A Spiritual Mindset Produces Great \_\_\_\_\_\_ (v. 101-102) - Armed with Divine \_\_\_\_\_\_ in his \_\_\_\_\_\_ and Divine \_\_\_\_\_\_ occupying his \_\_\_\_\_\_, David adds two more safe guards. He \_\_\_\_\_\_ his feet (v. 101) and \_\_\_\_\_\_ not from the Word (v. 102). Just as his enemies would continue, so would \_\_\_\_\_\_. The truth of the Word of God brought safety from succumbing to these \_\_\_\_\_\_. This is spiritual \_\_\_\_\_\_ (119.9).

Additionally, there was safety in the continual receiving of Divine \_\_\_\_\_\_ (v. 102). When the experiences of life came, David looked to the Word of God for safety. He depended on the Divine \_\_\_\_\_\_ at all times (v. 12).

- 3) A Spiritual Mindset Produces Great \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (v. 103) As safety was Divinely given, it in turn created a insatiable \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ for more \_\_\_\_\_\_ and Divine \_\_\_\_\_\_. David had acquired a \_\_\_\_\_\_ for the Word. It \_\_\_\_\_\_ his thoughts (\_\_\_\_\_\_). It \_\_\_\_\_\_ his path (\_\_\_\_\_\_). It was \_\_\_\_\_\_ by singing. Much like \_\_\_\_\_\_ (Ezek. 3.3) and \_\_\_\_\_ (Rev. 10.10), David developed a spiritual \_\_\_\_\_\_ for the Word of God (19.10).
- 4) A Spiritual Mindset Produces a Great \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (v. 104) The fruit of Divine wisdom had laid before David a bright \_\_\_\_\_\_. The exclusive source of spiritual \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ is the Word of God. As David depended on it, *every false way* would be \_\_\_\_\_\_\_. The Word of God taught him what to \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_\_ and what to \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_\_ (I John 2.15). Only believers with a submission to God's Word will be able to \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ this path \_\_\_\_\_\_.
  It will not be a \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ knowledge of the Word of God that will supply these great \_\_\_\_\_\_\_. It requires a \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ devotion to the Word of Truth. The Word of God MUST be \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ on
- \_\_\_\_\_. Its precepts MUST be \_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_