



## TO LOVE GOD IS TO LOVE HIS WORD

<sup>97</sup>Oh, how I love your instructions! I think about them all day long. <sup>98</sup>Your commands make me wiser than my enemies, for they are my constant guide. <sup>99</sup>Yes, I have more insight than my teachers, for I am always thinking of your laws. <sup>100</sup>I am even wiser than my elders, for I have kept your commandments. <sup>101</sup>I have refused to walk on any evil path, so that I may remain obedient to your word. <sup>102</sup>I haven't turned away from your regulations, for you have taught me well. <sup>103</sup>How sweet your words taste to me; they are sweeter than honey. <sup>104</sup>Your commandments give me understanding; no wonder I hate every false way of life."

*Psalm 119:97-105 nlt*

### Introduction:

<sup>34</sup>But when the Pharisees heard that he had silenced the Sadducees with his reply, they met together to question him again. <sup>35</sup>One of them, an expert in religious law, tried to trap him with this question: <sup>36</sup>Teacher, which is the most important commandment in the law of Moses?

<sup>37</sup>Jesus replied, You must love the Lord your God with all your heart, all your soul, and all your mind. <sup>38</sup>This is the first and greatest commandment."

*Matthew 22:34-38 nlt*

<sup>15</sup>If you love Me, keep My commandments. <sup>21</sup>He who has My commandments and keeps them, it is he who loves Me. And he who loves Me will be loved by My Father, and I will love him and manifest Myself to him. <sup>24</sup>He who does not love Me does not keep My words; and the word which you hear is not Mine but the Father's who sent Me." *John 14:15, 21 & 24*

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<sup>47</sup>for I delight in your commands because I love them. <sup>48</sup>I reach out for your commands, which I love, that I may meditate on your decrees." *Psalm 119:47-48 niv*

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*"<sup>23</sup>Listen to me; listen, and pay close attention." Isaiah 28:23 nlt*

<sup>13</sup>With my lips, I have declared all the ordinances of your mouth. <sup>14</sup>I have rejoiced in the way of your testimonies, as much as in all riches. <sup>15</sup>I will meditate on your precepts, and consider your ways." [Psalm 119:13-15](#) web

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<sup>27</sup>Help me understand the meaning of your commandments, and I will meditate on your wonderful deeds." [Psalm 119:27](#) nlt

<sup>3</sup>My mouth will speak words of wisdom. My heart will utter understanding." [Psalm 49:3](#) web

<sup>23</sup>Princes also sit and speak against me, But Your servant meditates on Your statutes. <sup>24</sup>Your testimonies also are my delight And my counselors." [Psalm 119:23-24](#)

3. \_\_\_\_\_.

<sup>2</sup>I will bow down toward your holy temple and will praise your name for your unfailing love and your faithfulness, for you have so exalted your solemn decree that it surpasses your fame." [Psalm 138:2](#) niv

<sup>14</sup>May the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be pleasing to you, O Lord, my rock and my redeemer." [Psalm 19:14](#) nlt

4. \_\_\_\_\_.

<sup>167</sup>I have obeyed your laws, for I love them very much." [Psalm 119:167](#) nlt

<sup>22</sup>But don't just listen to God's word. You must do what it says. Otherwise, you are only fooling yourselves." [James 1:22](#) nlt

<sup>28</sup>Jesus replied, But even more blessed are all who hear the word of God and put it into practice." [Luke 11:28](#) nlt

### Conclusion:

<sup>113</sup>I hate the double-minded, But I love Your law." [Psalm 119:113](#)

<sup>127</sup>Truly, I love your commands more than gold, ..." [Psalm 119:127](#) nlt

<sup>140</sup>Your promises have been thoroughly tested, and your servant loves them." [Psalm 119:140](#) niv