

YOUR WORD IS TRUTH
Psalm 119:89-96

INTRODUCTION

- A. Man is a creation of God.
- B. Man depends on God for guidance.
 - 1. God did not leave us without a “manual” on living life.
 - 2. Jeremiah 10:23
 - 3. Hebrews 1:1-2
- C. Man is to live by the word of God, Matthew 4:4 [cf. Dt. 8:3].

I. GOD’S WORD:

- A. Permanent, vs. 89.
 - 1. “Forever...” – always, continuous existence, unending future.
 - 2. “*What you say goes, God, and stays, as permanent as the heavens.*”
[The Message]
 - a. Psalm 119:144, 152, 160
 - b. Isaiah 40:8
 - c. Matthew 24:35
- B. Up-to-Date, vs. 90.
 - 1. “*...throughout all generations.*”
 - a. Psalm 146:6, “*Keeps faith [is reliable] forever.*”
 - 2. “*Your truth never goes out of fashion; it’s as up-to-date as the earth when the sun comes up.*” [The Message]
 - a. Hebrews 4:12
 - b. Hebrews 13:8
 - c. 1 Peter 1:23
- C. Dependable, vs. 91.
 - 1. “Stands” is “to remain”.
 - 2. “*Your Word and truth are dependable as ever; that’s what You ordered – You set the earth going.*” [The Message]
 - a. Jeremiah 31:35-36 – promises to forgive (v. 34) / spiritual Israel.
 - b. Genesis 8:22 – seasons will not cease.
- D. Provides:
 - 1. Wisdom, vss. 93-94
 - a. “*But I’ll never forget the advice You gave me; You saved my life with wise words ... I look high and low for Your words of wisdom.*” [The Message]
 - b. Proverbs 3:5-6
 - c. Isaiah 55:9
 - 2. Perseverance, vss. 92.
 - a. “*If Your revelation hadn’t delighted me so, I would have given up when the hard times came.*” [The Message]
 - b. Galatians 6:9
 - c. 2 Peter 1:10
- E. Leads to God, vs. 95.
 - 1. “*...I’m only concerned with Your plans for me.*” [The Message]

2. 2 Peter 3:9

II. THE APOSTLE PAUL AND GOD'S WORD. 2 Timothy 3:14-17

- A. Abide in Them, vs. 14.
 1. And so abide in God, 1 John 3:24.
- B. Make You Wise to Salvation [KJV], vs. 15.
 1. Some refuse this wisdom.
 - a. Matthew 7:26 – foolish man
 - b. Matthew 13:15
- C. Scripture is Inspired, vs. 16.
 1. Peter says the same, 2 Peter 1:20, 21.
- D. Furnishes Man Completely, vs. 17.
 1. Nothing else is needed.
 2. God uses no other method to save.
 3. 1 Corinthians 1:21
 4. Romans 1:16, *“For I am not ashamed of the gospel, for it is the power of God for salvation to everyone who believes, to the Jew first and also to the Greek.”*

CLOSING

- A. Through a constant study of God's Word...
 1. We can maneuver through the pitfalls of life, ...
 2. And enter into our heavenly home.
- B. Either God is or God Is Not.
 1. There can be no middle ground.
 2. We accuse “others” of picking and choosing to “prove their point”.
 - a. But are we guilty of the same?
 - b. Do we “choose or ignore” so as to justify our lives?
 3. If God is not, then...
 - a. We are the biggest fools.
 - b. 1 Corinthians 15:16-19
- C. And if God is, then...
 1. He demands a response.
 2. What will be your response?
 3. God's Word saves – will you not obey?