



Outline – Sunday School, July 16, 2017

Sermon Title: “The Blessing of Remembering the Word”

Text: Psalm 119:49-56, ZAIN

I. The Covenant Expectation (v 49-51)

- a) A plea that God would be faithful to his promise: *zakar*, v. “to remember, recall, call to mind”:
2 Cor 1:20/Titus 1:2/2 Tim 1:1-2, 9-10
- b) His confidence is in God’s preserving power: he is given life, ability to obey. 2 Thess 2:16/Assurance of hope by way of a revelation of Christ = 1 Peter 1:13-15/Col 1:27/2 Cor 1:20/Heb 8:6/2 Peter 1:4
- c) He is motivated to be faithful in return: his faith is strengthened, and his commitment unwaivering.
The goal of these enemies: **Derision - despair - denying God**
Examples - Job: 2:9/David: Ps 3:1-4/Jesus Matt 27:41-43

II. The Counterintuitive Effect (v 52-54)

- a) Remembering, a moral issue: Deut 7/The aim of gospel ministers: 1 Cor 15:1-5/Phil 3:1/2 Peter 1:12; 3:1/
1 Cor 11:24-25/The work of the Spirit: John 14:26
- b) Comfort in affliction: Is 26:8/Ps 31:23-24
- c) Zeal for God’s honor: Ps 11:6
- d) Singing in a strange land: Ps 137:4/1 Peter 1:1-2/Heb 11:13

III. The Consequent Experience (v 55-56)

- a) A confession of righteousness before God
- b) A clear conscience/peace - the blessing received: Ps 119:1-4