



Outline – Sunday School, October 08, 2017

Sermon Title: “The Word and the Work of Patient Endurance”

Text: Psalm 119:73-80, YOD stanza

Trials are designed for the outcome of Patient Endurance – James 1:2-5/Rom 5:3-4 “patience”, *hypo* (under)/*meno* (abide, remain) = steadfastness, constancy, endurance, perseverance

Three Evidences the work of Patient Endurance is taking place in our lives, relative to God’s Word:

1. **Confidence in the Word** – (v 73-74)/Heb 11:1-3

a) **His Creator is His Teacher** – (v 73)!

“*Thy hands,*” = God’s *power, possession & providence* in Creation *and* Redemption – Ps 138:8/

Eph 2:10

– “*made,*” to produce by labor, bring about, appoint – Ps 100:3; 139:13-16

– “*fashioned,*” fixed, established, settled, prepared, ordained” – Ps 8:3; 37:23

– “*that I might learn,*” – Ps 11:10; 119:71/Heb 5:8-9

b) **He is an object lesson for the rest of the class** – (v 74)

– His faith, a cause for the joy of others “*when they see me*” – 1 Peter 1:7/Col 2:5/1 Thess 1:8; 3:7

– This Truth is at the heart of the Gospel of Christ – Heb 12:1-3/2 Tim 2:10

2. **Consolation by the Word** – (v 75-77)

a) **The *mature* must hold the Tension** – (v 75) knowledge *verse* feelings – v 67, 71-78

b) **God’s *mercy* is to preserve THROUGH the Trial** – (v 76)/ 2 Cor 1:3-7

c) **The *means* of comfort, God’s promises** – (v 77)/1 Pet 1:3-9 “*tender mercies*” = “*salvation*” – (v 41)

3. **Concern for the Word** – (v 78-80) Three realities, typical of Christ:

a) **His foes, a constant threat** – (v 78) “*without a cause*” – Ps 119:161/Ps 25:2-3

b) **His friends, forsook Him** – (v 79), v 63, “*turn*” turn back to me, return”

c) **His faithfulness, continually tested** – (v 80)/Is 50:7