

Monthly Memory Verse - July 2011



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Publisher & Author Message

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Message from the publisher and author

Monthly Memory Verse and Dale's Notes

Dale's Notes are provided to be used as an encouragement to study the context from where the monthly memory verse was selected. It's my desire to provide some background information and practical understanding of some things, which I see within my own study of God's word. It's my hope through reading the notes; you will desire to study God's word in more detail.

Dale's Notes are only a layman's attempt to share the good news of our savior Jesus Christ through a monthly memory verse and the study of God's word in our daily walk with the Lord.

Brother in Jesus Christ,
Dale ☺
Dale A. Kaye

Message:

Thank you for your faithful to read and support this ministry.

Prayer request:

Shared Interests and Personal

Continue to pray with me in asking God for his help to provide a consistent format for the Men's Monthly Memory Verse and Dale's Notes. I continue to ask your prayers and encouragement to serve in this way. Please, remember my family as we make changes in our lives to honor our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

Thank you,
Dale

Quick Bio-glance

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John Bunyan

1628 –1688

Born near Bedford, the son of a brazier. He learned to read and write at the village school and was apprenticed to his father's trade. He was drafted into the Parliamentary army between 1644 and 1646 and married the year after. His first wife owned two Puritan religious works that had a profound effect on him. In 1653 he joined a Nonconformist church and his first writings are criticism of the Quakers. His first wife died, leaving four children and he became an itinerant preacher. He married again, probably during 1659. In 1660 he was arrested for preaching without a bishop's license.

He was imprisoned for a total of twelve years in Bedford goal. In prison he studied the bible constantly and wrote pamphlets and nine books, including the first part of *The Pilgrim's Progress* - an allegorical tale which was a major influence on generations of writers. He eventually became Pastor of Bedford and in his later years was able to preach without persecution. He died in London. His writings were very popular despite their complexity.

Quote

"I would quote John Bunyan as an instance of what I mean. Read anything of his, and you will see that it is almost like the reading the Bible itself. He had read it till his very soul was saturated with Scripture; and, though his writings are charmingly full of poetry, yet he cannot give us his *Pilgrim's Progress*—that sweetest of all prose poems—without continually making us feel and say, "Why, this man is a living Bible!" Prick him anywhere—his blood is Bibrine, the very essence of the Bible flows from him. He cannot speak without quoting a text, for his very soul is". —

Charles Spurgeon

<http://www.reformedreader.org/rbb/bunyan/bindex.htm> and http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/John_Bunyan

Theology Term

Christology

Christology is from the Greek, [*christos*] meaning "anointed one," and [*logos*] meaning "word." By extension the words or discourse about the anointed one. This is the doctrine that deals with the person of Jesus Christ. It encompasses the theological study of both the divine and the human nature of the Saviour, and the roles they play in Christianity.

<http://www.mountainretreatorg.net/faq/glossary.html#christology>

Commentary on
the Whole Bible:
By Matthew Henry
Psa 119:11

Here is, 1. The close application which David made of the word of God to himself: *He hid it in his heart*, laid it up there, that it might be ready to him whenever he had occasion to use it; he laid it up as that which he valued highly, and had a warm regard for, and which he was afraid of losing and being robbed of. God's word is a treasure worth laying up, and there is no laying it up safely but in our hearts; if we have it only in our houses and hands, enemies may take it from us; if only in our heads, our memories may fail us: but if our hearts be delivered into the mould of it, and the impressions of it remain on our souls, it is safe. 2. The good uses he designed to make of it: *That I might not sin against thee*. Good men are afraid of sin, and are in care to prevent it; and the most effectual way to prevent is to hide God's word in our hearts, that we may answer every temptation, as our Master did, with, *It is written*, may oppose God's precepts to the dominion of sin, his promises to its allurements, and his threatenings to its menaces.

Dale's Notes

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MONTHLY MEMORY VERSE

Read: Psalms 119:11 (KJV)

Psa 119:11 Thy word have I hid in mine heart, that I might not sin against thee.

Your word have I stored up in my heart

I have a garage, I have an attic, a place under my bed even a place called a closet and over the years house storage has become an important part to our living space. I laugh at how God has blessed us in so many ways that at times we've had to have a garage sale or simply give things away because there's no more room! We are packed! We are overloaded with things stored-up and many times will never use! Oh' that we would store up God's Holy Word into our hearts until our windows are pouring out into the streets and there be no place to contain it!

That our desire would be to give it away because we could not contain it within ourselves! Like the burning of Jeremiah when he tried to refrain his lips from speaking God great truth, saying he had to declare it even at his own resistance!

Then I said, I will not make mention of him, nor speak any more in his name. But his word was in mine heart as a burning fire shut up in my bones, and I was weary with forbearing, and I could not stay (Jer 20:9).

The psalmist here is talking about things to be store-up in the heart not a garage, closet, under the bed or even an attic! He stores up things to be kept, never lost, and never thrown away but always in its place; the heart (*Keep thy heart with all diligence; for out of it are the issues of life Pro 4:23*)! The psalmist tells you what he stores up and we find it to be the Word of God! "Thy Word Have I Hid in my Heart..." The fact that the psalmist says "thy word" speaks of a specific person! Not just anybody's word but God's word (Psa. 119:12)! You cannot read Psalms 119 and not know the psalmist desire is to know God truth, live God's truth and be consumed in God's ways all to please his Lord in every way! Jesus Christ said it this way speaking of "thy word" God's word! *Sanctify them through thy truth: thy word is truth (Joh. 17:17)*. Showing the sanctifying work of God's word to make holy and pointing to the absolute perfect nature of God's word as truth! Showing every word that comes out of God's mouth is truth, only truth, and always truth; it's fact which does not pass away! Men must live by it, as commanded not to live by bread alone but by every word that comes out of the mouth of God(Mat. 4:4; Luk. 4:4)!

But the word of the Lord endureth for ever. And this is the word which by the gospel is preached unto you (1Pe 1:25).

Psalms 119 is Acrostic

Our verse comes united within a cluster of verses (psalms 119:9-16) portraying the attitude and commitment of the psalmist's heart, which he writes declaring in light of the second letter of the Hebrew alphabet named "Beth: bāth (ב, b): according to the International

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Exposition of the
Entire Bible:

By John Gill

Psa 119:11

Thy word have I hid in mine heart,.... Not only heard and read it, but received it into his affections; mixed it with faith, laid it up in his mind and memory for future use; preserved it in his heart as a choice treasure, where it might dwell richly, and be of service to him on many occasions; and particularly be of the following use:

that I might not sin against thee; the word of God is a most powerful antidote against sin, when it has a place in the heart; not only the precepts of it forbid sin, but the promises of it influence and engage to purity of heart and life, and to the perfecting of holiness in the fear of the Lord; and all the doctrines of grace in it effectually teach the saints to deny all sin and worldly lusts, and to live a holy life and conversation; see [2Co 7:1](#).

Standard Bible Encyclopedia". It's an important note of interest this psalms comes to us an acrostic using the Hebrew alphabet. The psalm is composed of 22 sections with each section having of eight lines and each line beginning with a Hebrew letter of the alphabet.

Our verse 119:11 is found under the second section starting with the second letter of the Hebrew alphabet BETH (*side note the word beth also means house – Smith's Bible Dictionary*). So the psalmist uses this methodology as he brings into focus the truth of God's word and his desire to hide it in his heart, as to keep it (obey it), learn it (be taught it), rejoices in it (make it his delight) and not wander from it (always found in it)!

Psalmist stores God's word to a place of love

He stores it up to a place of love because of its great value! Many of the commentaries say into the hidden place of the mind and treasured. I think the expression is more than just the satisfying need to hide the word of God into memory and not to sin which is the psalmist objective. But it's too the psalmist desire to lay-up God's word in his most hidden part of his being not seen by men so the works of his life can glorify God for truth now living in him! He starts with his inter-being and works his way out for all to see! Just like Jesus said, let your light so shine before men so they can see your good works and glorify your Father which is in heaven! So it's with all of us! We too must give our hearts first to Jesus Christ in love and faith then by our commitment from the whole heart in keeping His truth (His word) our lives shine for his glory through the truth being lived out!

Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly in all wisdom; teaching and admonishing one another in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing with grace in your hearts to the Lord (Col 3:16).

Yes, it's the desire of the Psalmist to not sin against God that he may not be offensive in anyway but so much more! It's a life turn over to God for the glory of God because of a true love for God and His eternal living word! The Psalmist breaks out in praise in verse 12 with saying "*Blessed art thou, O LORD: teach me thy statutes (Psa 119:12).*" He shows his personal joy in the Lord and his ways which he ends asking the Lord to tech him. Wow, what a heart for God's word, what a life to live with the whole heart before the Lord in all of His [God's] ways.

When we live for the Lord and our lives are filled with God's word and his ways then we will understand the changing power of God's Holy Word and it too becomes our great joy!

For the word of God is quick, and powerful, and sharper than any twoedged sword, piercing even to the dividing asunder of soul and spirit, and of the joints and marrow, and is a discernor of the thoughts and intents of the heart (Heb 4:12).

Come to Jesus Christ

Have you come to Jesus Christ to repent asking the forgiveness of your sins? Can you not hear his call to you today? It's the word that is near you even in your mouth which you know to be true for within your heart! It's the word preached to you.

But what does it say? "The word is near you, in your mouth and in your heart" (that is, the word of faith that we proclaim); because, if you confess with your mouth that Jesus is Lord and

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believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. For with the heart one believes and is justified, and with the mouth one confesses and is saved [Rom 10:8-10](#)

Your life on earth is short even at 100 years and time is not in our control, don't delay with something as important as your eternal destiny! Give your life to Jesus and repent of your sin even now while you sit and read!

Prayer

Lord Jesus have mercy on us (your people) and forgive our sins and our propensity to sin. Grant us a repentant heart to walk humbly before your greatness. Forgive our forgetfulness to learn, obey your truth and to walk in the light of the grace given to us. Have mercy Jesus, have mercy and forgive a sinner like me. Amen.