



Psalm 119:9-16. *There is power to thrive ev the word of Holy Spirit.* One of the great mysteries of life for people in general and believers in particular is how to keep our way pure. Of course, definitions of purity vary between believer and unbeliever. For the believer, it is nonetheless a profound calling. Holy Spirit declares that we can keep our way pure by following, living, according to His word. Here's how —

1. Seek You with all my *raison d'être*—by not letting my stray from Your commands.
2. Hide these commands, this word of yours within my *raison d'être*—I do not want to sin against You, O YAHWEH.
3. As I praise You, O YAHWEH, teach me Your ways.
4. I will speak out loud all the laws that come from Your mouth—let me listen to Your voice.
5. I will rejoice in following your statutes, just as if I acquired great riches.
6. I will focus and meditate and dwell on your teaching by considering Your ways.
7. I will take pleasure in Your declarations—bottom line... I will not neglect Your word.

Q What is your definition of God's "word?" His "scripture?" His "revelation?"

Q What is your definition of "purity?" How important is it to you, purity that is? Why?

Q When do we stray from the commands of Holy Spirit?

1. We're not seeking His commands.
2. They're not part of our inner whole, our *raison d'être*?
3. My praise to the Lord God Jehovah is not connected to learning His ways.
4. What words of God I do not, I keep them to myself—they rarely trickle over my tongue; as a result, I am not listening to you, literally or figuratively.
5. Then, when I do follow Your voice, I don't take time to rejoice, to praise, to offer thanks.
6. Too much of my study of your teaching is academically blah; it is not a focally meditative core of my day with You.
7. When I get busy, I fail to take pleasure in Your teachings, and I simply neglect You.

Q What could you do to stop neglecting the Lord Your God? Listen. Learn. Live.

PSALM 119:9-16

How can a young man keep his way pure?
By living according to your word.

¹⁰ I seek you with all my heart; do not let me stray from your commands.

¹¹ I have hidden your word in my heart that I might not sin against you.

¹² Praise be to you, O YAHWEH; teach me your decrees.

¹³ With my lips I recount all the laws that come from your mouth.

¹⁴ I rejoice in following your statutes as one rejoices in great riches.

¹⁵ I meditate on your precepts and consider your ways.

¹⁶ I delight in your decrees; I will not neglect your word.

Open my eyes that I may see wonderful things in Your law.

—Psalm 119:18

John 13:34-35. *God loves for a reason*. Here's what it's all about—I AM will be glorified. Here's how you do it, now that you know I AM personally. Just as I have loved you, you must love one another. It is by this love that I AM will be glorified because your love for one another as I love you will show in no uncertain terms that: you are My students, My followers, My cherished children—IF you love one another!

JOHN 13:34-35

“A new command I give you: Love one another. As I have loved you, so you must love one another. By this all men will know that you are my disciples, if you love one another.”

- Q Why does the Lord God love us?
- Q What then, is in it, for the Lord God to love us?
- Q Why does the Lord God love the “whole world” even though the “whole world” does not deserve to be loved?
- Q How can the Lord God be truly holy by loving the unacceptably unholy?
- Q How did the Lord God demonstrate His love for us?
- Q What is the reason for loving others? Why is loving others, then, important?
- Q Just who is this “another?” Are we to love those who are not followers, or just followers, or followers more than non-followers of God?
- Q Why is it so difficult to do, this loving one another as He loved us?