

33 Teach me, O Lord, the way of Your statutes,  
And I shall observe it to the end.  
34 Give me understanding, that I may observe Your law  
And keep it with all my heart.  
35 Make me walk in the path of Your commandments,  
For I delight in it.  
36 Incline my heart to Your testimonies  
And not to dishonest gain.  
37 Turn away my eyes from looking at vanity,  
And revive me in Your ways.  
38 Establish Your word to Your servant,  
As that which produces reverence for You.  
39 Turn away my reproach which I dread,  
For Your ordinances are good.  
40 Behold, I long for Your precepts;  
Revive me through Your righteousness.

33 הוֹרֵנִי יְהוָה דֶּרֶךְ חַיִּיךָ וְאַצְרְנָה עֵקֶב:  
34 הִבִּינֵנִי וְאַצְרְהָ תוֹרָתְךָ וְאַשְׁמְרֶנָּה בְּכָל-לֵב:  
35 הִדְרִיכֵנִי בְּנִתְיָב מִצְוֹתֶיךָ כִּי-בּוֹ חִפְצָתִי:  
36 הֲטֹ-לִבִּי אֶל-עֲדוֹתֶיךָ וְאֶל אֶל-בְּצַע:  
37 הֲעֵבֶר עֵינַי מִרְאוֹת שָׁוְא בְּדַרְכְּךָ חִינִי:  
38 הֲקִם לְעַבְדְּךָ אִמְרָתְךָ אֲשֶׁר לִירְאָתְךָ:  
39 הֲעֵבֶר חֲרָפְתִּי אֲשֶׁר יִגְרָתִי כִּי מִשְׁפָּטֶיךָ טוֹבִים:  
40 הִנֵּה תִּאֲבָתִי לְפָקֶדֶיךָ בְּצַדִּיקְתְּךָ חִינִי:

ה: Believers must keep themselves teachable, and trust in the LORD to teach them.

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| <p>1. The He is a window and the He strophe manifests the perspective through which believers should view everything.</p> <p>a. The interjection means behold! and the Psalmist certainly expects the Lord to behold his fervent prayer.</p> <p>b. Nine imperatives dominate this strophe. Seven begin the first seven verses. Two “revive me” imperatives end vv.37,40.</p> <p>2. Learning and observing Bible Doctrine is its own reward (ψ<sup>119</sup>33).</p> | <p>a. <b>עֵקֶב</b> #6118: <i>end, reward</i> (Ps. 19:11; Prov. 22:4).</p> <p>b. The reward of Bible Doctrine keeps the heart from dishonest gain (ψ<sup>119</sup>36; Ex. 18:21; Ezek. 33:31; Mt. 6:24; 1<sup>st</sup> Tim. 6:9,10,17).</p> <p>3. Teaching must produce understanding so the believer can develop the capacity for true obedience (ψ<sup>119</sup>34; Deut. 4:5-6).</p> <p>4. The path of God’s commandments is a mature delight (ψ<sup>119</sup>35; Isa. 58:13,14).</p> | <p>5. The second half of He features a double turn away (37,39) and a double revive me (37,40).</p> <p>a. “Eber” &amp; “Hebrew” give us the word study for this strophe.</p> <p>b. Believers under teaching have “crossed over “from vanity and reproach (Col. 1:13; 1<sup>st</sup> Cor. 6:9-11; Eph. 2:3-10).</p> <p>6. The Psalmist asks God to make His Word stand on his behalf personally in order to provoke his godly reverence (ψ<sup>119</sup>38 cf. Ps. 103:11,13,17).</p> | <p>7. The Psalmist has a particular “dread” which reflects his dedication to the Scriptures (ψ<sup>119</sup>39a). <b>יָגַר</b> #3025 only Dt. 9:19; 28:60; Job 3:25; 9:28 and here.</p> <p>8. The obedient walk is the only “good” walk for believers (ψ<sup>119</sup>39b; Rom. 7:12; Deut. 10:13).</p> <p>9. Teachable believers lust after more teaching (ψ<sup>119</sup>40; Job 23:12; 1<sup>st</sup> Pet. 2:2).</p> |
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