

# PSALM 119:161-168 SECTION 21 STUDY PLAN

During this 2-week period, complete the 10 study plans below. We suggest focusing on one study plan per day. Use the days of margin as needed.



### Day 1

MEET... with God through prayer.

**MEDITATE...** Read Psalm 119:161-168 in the NASB. Read Psalm 119:161-168 in at least two other versions of Scripture. Make notes about word variations that catch your attention. Then journal any first impressions of Section 21. **MEMORIZE...** Select which verses in this section you will memorize during this 2-week period. Get started.

## Day 2

**MEET...** with God through prayer.

**MEDITATE...** Copy Psalm 119:161-168 in the NASB on the left side of your paper. Then, on the right-hand side, beside your copy of the NASB, copy Psalm 119:161-168 from another version of choice. Underline words that seem powerful to you in either version, and then journal thoughts and impressions as you compare the different ways they are expressed. **MEMORIZE...** Review. Add. Review. AND... also take time to review what you memorized in earlier Sections.

## Day 3

**MEET...** with God through prayer.

**MEDITATE...** Read through Psalm 119:161-168 and write down every statement which includes one of the variation titles of God's Word (ex. Verse 163 – "I love Your Law...") After doing so, in light of what these titles mean (see Psalm 119 Glossary), consider the distinctions of these statements and journal your thoughts and impressions.

MEMORIZE... Review. Add. Review.

### Note:

As we near the end of this amazing chapter of Scripture, we will find that most of Section 21 reiterates recurring themes of the whole of Psalm 119. So, our meditation of this section will give us time to review and ponder those themes.

## Day 4

**MEET...** with God through prayer.

**MEDITATE...** Read Psalm 119:161-168 and zoom in on verses 161-162, making note of the theme of persecution/affliction found in verse 161a... and of the theme of awe/rejoicing/treasuring God's Word found in verses 161b-162. Then...

- Read through Psalm 119 sections 1-20 and take notice of the repeated theme of affliction/persecution. As you look, do you see a specific expression of this theme that especially connects with your own experience? How so?
- Read through Psalm 119 sections 1-20 and take notice of the repeated theme of awe/rejoicing/treasuring God's Word. As you look, do you see a specific expression of this theme that especially connects with your own experience? How so?

MEMORIZE... Review. Add. Review. AND... remember to review earlier Sections as well.

#### Day 5

**MEET...** with God through prayer.

**MEDITATE...** Read Psalm 119:161-168 and zoom in on verses 163 and 165, making note of the theme of hating/despising falsehood found in verse 163... and of the theme of loving God's Law found in verses 163b and 165. Then...

- Read through Psalm 119 sections 1-20 and take notice of the repeated theme of hating/despising falsehood. As you look, do you see a specific expression of this theme that especially connects with your feelings How so?
- Read through Psalm 119 sections 1-20 and take notice of the repeated theme of loving God's Law. As you look, do you see a specific expression of this theme that especially connects with your own love for God's Word? How so?

MEMORIZE... Review. Add. Review.

### Day 6

MEET... with God through prayer.

**MEDITATE...** Read Psalm 119:161-168 and zoom in on verses 166-168, making note of the theme of keeping God's Word found in those verses. Then...read through Psalm 119 sections 1-20 and take notice of the repeated theme of keeping God's Word. As you look, do you see a specific expression of this theme that:

- connects with your own experience? How so?
- challenges you to keep God's Word in a greater way in your own life? How so?

MEMORIZE... Review. Add. Review. AND... remember to review earlier Sections as well.

### Day 7

MEET... with God through prayer.

MEDITATE... Amidst the repeated themes in Section 21, we also see two new thoughts that deserve our meditation. Read Psalm 119:161-168 in the NASB and copy verses 164 and 165 noting the new thoughts of "praising God 7 times a day for His righteous ordinances," and of "having great peace so that nothing causes us to stumble." Then journal your thoughts based on the following:

- The number 7 means completion. How does that speak into the personal application of verse 164.
- When is it easy in your day to praise God for His righteous ordinances?
- When is it the most challenging in your day to praise God for His righteous ordinances?
- How does the second phrase of verse 169 challenge you?
- What can cause you stumble and lose the gift of God's peace?
- What may be the connection between loving God's Law and having great peace?

MEMORIZE... Review. Add. Review. AND... just a reminder, the earlier Sections need review too.

### Day 8

**MEET...** with God through prayer.

**MEDITATE...** Watch the video we've titled, Psalm 119:161-168, AAB Section 21, taking notes as you do. After watching, give this section a title.

MEMORIZE... Review. Add. Review.

#### Day 9

**MEET...** with God through prayer.

**MEDITATE...** Using the four steps shared during Introduction Week about praying Scripture, pray through this Section, Psalm 119:161-168 for yourself.

MEMORIZE... Review. Add. Review.

#### **Day 10**

**MEET...** with God through prayer.

**MEDITATE...** Using the four steps shared during Introduction Week about praying Scripture, pray through this Section, Psalm 119:161-168 for a family member or friend.

**MEMORIZE...** Review. Share the verses you have memorized in some way.

## \*Extra Suggestion for Study of Psalm 119

**REVIEW...** Section 10 and revisit the things God showed you through your meditation of it. Would you still give it the same title? Why?

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