

PSALM 119:65-72 SECTION 9 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.



<u>Day 1</u>

MEET... with God through prayer.

MEDITATE... Read Psalm 119:65-72 in the NASB. Read Psalm 119:65-72 in at least two other versions of Scripture. Make notes about word variations that catch your attention. Take a moment to journal your first impressions of Section 9. **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 119:65-72 in the NASB on the left side of your paper. Then, on the right-hand side, beside your copy of the NASB, copy Psalm 119:65-72 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.

<u>Day 3</u>

MEET... with God through prayer.

MEDITATE... Read through Psalm 119:65-72 and write down every statement which includes one of the variation titles of God's Word (ex. Verse 66 – *"I believe in Your commandments"*). 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. Make note of how many times David expresses a desire to be taught God's Word? Why do you think this may be so? **MEMORIZE...** Review. Add. Review.

<u>Day 4</u>

MEET... with God through prayer.

MEDITATE... Read and Copy Psalm 119:65-66, with a specific focus on the *"discernment"* David desires to have about his life happenings. To meditate on this focus, journal about the following: Make a list of both the blessings and afflictions that you know David had experienced. After doing so, look at verse 65, and make note of David's perspective in regard to how God had dealt with him. Then, make a list of both the blessings and afflictions that you consider your own perspective regarding how God has dealt with you. Does your perspective line up with David's perspective in verse 65? Why or why not? Especially during affliction, why is it important to pray for discernment in how we view God's hand in our lives? As you finish, take time to pray for that now.

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

<u>Day 5</u>

MEET... with God through prayer.

MEDITATE... Read and Copy Psalm 119:67-68 and 71, with a specific focus on the "good" that God has done in David's life, even through his affliction. To meditate on this focus, journal about the following: Looking at the verses you copied, what two good things does David note have come out of his affliction? Specifically in verse 68 (NASB), what are the two things that David declares about God? And why is it important to believe both when seeking to have heavenly discernment of God's dealings in your life? Looking at your own afflictions that you listed on Day 4 and keeping them in mind, how could you personally express the words of verse 67 and 71 by filling in the blanks...

 Vs. 67 - Before I was afflicted I
 ______, but now I
 ______.

 Vs. 71 - It is good for me that I was afflicted that I may
 _______.

 MEMORIZE... Review. Add. Review.

<u>Day 6</u>

MEET... with God through prayer.

MEDITATE... Since the beginning of time, the battle of Truth vs. Lies has been on. David reveals that battle in his own life again and again, and one of those times is found here in verses 69-70. Read and Copy Psalm 119:69-70. Then keeping in

mind that *"the arrogant"* in verse 69 can exist in both the physical and spiritual realms, ponder and journal about the following questions: Who might *"the arrogant"* be for David? And what lies might they have *"forged"* against him? Who might *"the arrogant"* be for you? And what lies have they have *"forged"* against you? What might be the meaning of David's words, *"their heart is covered in fat"* found in verse 70? Why is *"observing God's precepts with all your heart"* and *"delighting in God's Law"* so important to staying spiritually fit and strong? What specific Precept of the Lord speaks Truth into one of the lies forged against you? Finish your time by talking to God about that precept. **MEMORIZE...** Review. Add. Review. AND... remember to review earlier Sections as well

<u>Day 7</u>

MEET... with God through prayer.

MEDITATE... David begins and ends this section expressing gratitude and value for God's Word, even in the middle of much personal affliction. I believe his gratitude and value flows from the posture of his heart which is, *"the Lord is my portion."* Read and Copy verses 71-72. Then, since we have already pondered verse 71 on Day 5, zoom in on verse 72 by pondering and journaling about the following: What is the represented *"portion"* in verse 72 that most in the world have their hearts turned toward? What does David choose to elevate above that common "portion" that most others often choose? What about your heart... do your best to fill in the following blank at least 7 times, expressing personal gratitude and value for God's Word. And for any expression which might not be entirely true, ask the Lord to mold your heart so that it is true! Vs. 72 – *The Law of Your mouth is better to me than*

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 119:65-72, AAB Section 9, 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 Psalm 119:65-72 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 Psalm 119:65-72 for a family member or friend. MEMORIZE... Review. Share the verses you have memorized in some way.

***Extra Suggestion for Study of Psalm 119**

SURVEY... Psalm 119 in its entirety in the NASB and copy each statement/declaration David makes about God. Examples: Vs. 12 "Blessed are You O Lord." Vs. 68. "You are good and do good."

Study Notes...

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