# sermon notes

November 22, 2026 | Pastor Tony Caffey, Messiah Bible Church
"Sola Scriptura (Part 2)" | **Psalm 119:41–88**

ו) God's Word is _____ for the _____
(119:41–48)

ז) God's Word is _____ for the _____
(119:49–56)

ח) God's Word is _____ for the _____
(119:57–64)

ט) God's Word is _____ from a _____ God
(119:65–72)

י) God's Word is a _____ for those who _____ him
(119:73–80)

כ) God's Word is a _____ to the _____
(119:81–88)

**Questions for Further Application of God's Word:**

**GO DEEPER**

Identify the eight terms the psalmist uses for God's Word in Psalm 119. Why does the psalmist use so many terms to describe Scripture? How does the psalmist connect God's Word with God's character? Do these different terms have different nuances in their description of God's Word? If so, what are they?

The psalmist repeatedly uses the word "meditate" (119:15, 23, 27, 48, 78, 148). What does it mean to meditate on Scripture? How does meditation differ from memorization, and how can the two work together to help us hide God's Word in our hearts?

In the *waw* stanza (119:41–48), how does trusting God's Word prepare the psalmist to answer someone who taunts him? What is the relationship between confidence in God's promises and courage in speaking about him?

**GET PERSONAL**

Describe the emotional tone of the *kaph* stanza (119:81–88) in one word or sentence. What difficult questions does the psalmist ask? Do his questions express a lack of faith, grief, or something else? How do his statements throughout Psalm 119—not just in the *kaph* stanza—give words to your own emotional pleas before God?

Why does the Psalmist say, "It is good for me that I was afflicted, that I might learn your statutes" (119:71)? How does affliction help us to learn God's statutes? Describe a time in your life when God taught you something meaningful through affliction.

**PUT IT INTO PRACTICE**

Which 8-verse stanza did you previously choose to memorize? How many verses have you memorized so far? Which version of the Bible are you using? Are you striving for word-level perfection? Try to memorize the first four verses of your stanza by the end of this week. Keep reciting that stanza prayerfully every day before you begin your devotions.

**ADVANCED QUESTION**

Interact with what the Psalmist says in 119:75, "I know, O Lord, that your rules are righteous, and that in faithfulness you have afflicted me." In what sense can we say that afflictions derive from the Lord? Does that make God the author of evil? Explain why or why not. Compare Genesis 50:20 and James 1:13–17. How should these distinctions shape the way we comfort someone who is suffering?