

WEEK 4: WITH THE WORD AS YOUR TREASURE AND TEACHER

GROUP DISCUSSION GUIDE

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MAIN POINT

We pin the most important contacts to the top of our messages—ensuring their voices never get lost in the noise. The psalmist discovered how to “pin” God’s Word to his heart with that same priority. Drawing from the longest chapter in the Bible—a 176-verse love poem to Scripture—we’ll explore how treating God’s Word as both our greatest treasure and our ultimate teacher transforms everything about us. We are going to treasure something and be taught by someone, and there is nothing better than God’s Word.

LEAN IN BREAK THE ICE

**Think back to your time in school. Who was your favorite teacher?
What made that teacher your favorite?**

LOOK DOWN LOOK AT GOD’S WORD

Read Psalm 119:9-16

9 How can a young man keep his way pure?
By keeping your word.
10 I have sought you with all my heart;
don’t let me wander from your commands.
11 I have treasured your word in my heart
so that I may not sin against you.

12 Blessed are you, O Lord; teach me your statutes.

13 With my lips I proclaim all the judgments of your mouth.

14 I rejoice in the way revealed by your decrees, as in all riches.

15 I will meditate on your precepts and ponder your ways.

16 I will delight in your statutes; I will not forget your word

In Psalm 119:9, what question does the psalmist ask, and how does he answer his own question?

Read Psalm 119:11. What does the psalmist say he will do with God's Word, and why?

Read Psalm 119:15-16. What three things does the psalmist say he will do, and what is the only one he says he will not do?

**IDENTIFY THE
RELEVANCE OF
GOD'S WORD IN
THE WORLD**

What are we tempted to use as a guide and teacher in our lives instead of God and His Word?

What does someone's life look like when they see God's Word as a treasure and a teacher?

**LOOK WITHIN:
APPLY GOD'S
WORD TO YOUR
LIFE.**

What do you value most in life? Does it keep you from seeking God?

How would you feel about treating God's Word as a treasure in your life this week?