

Psalm 119:10-11

THE HEART OF OBEDIENCE

2013-14 Bonus Verse

HEAD

Memorize what it says.

**“With my whole heart I seek you;
let me not wander from your commandments!
I have stored up your word in my heart,
that I might not sin against you.”**

Psalm 119:10-11 (ESV)

HEART

Understand what it means.

The Word of God should be kept in our heart like a valuable treasure never to be lost or stolen. This is not just an academic collection of words and ideas, but rather a lifelong pursuit that has the power to change us and the way we live.

See what David said about the treasure of God’s Word. – Psalm 19:7-11

HANDS

Put it into action.

Gods Word is our most important resource for life. Pursue it and treasure it not just as an intellectual activity, but as your most valued possession. Gather and store up the words of scripture as you would gather and store up a valuable treasure. Dwell upon the divinely inspired words, meditate upon God’s commandments, and pursue those commandments with your whole heart.

STORE UP GOD’S WORD IN YOUR HEART.

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Student Study Questions
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- What does it mean to “seek” God?
- What is wholeheartedness? Why is this important? (Jeremiah 29:13)
- How do we seek God with our whole heart?
- What distinguished Joshua & Caleb from the other spies? (Num. 14:24,30 &38)
- What causes us to wander from God’s commandments? (Isaiah 53:6) Where is God when we wander? (Deut. 2:7)
- Why should we ask God to keep us from wandering?
- What do the words “stored up,” “treasured,” “laid up,” and “hidden” have in common? (See different translations: ESV, NASB, Amplified, NIV)
- What do these words say to us about God’s Word?
- How do we “store up” God’s Word in our heart?
- Is there a difference between storing up in the mind & storing up in the heart?
- How does storing up God’s Word in our heart help us to avoid sin?
- Will memorizing God’s Word cause us to stop sinning? What will it do?
- What is the purpose of studying, memorizing & meditating on God’s Word?