

PSALM 119 : 105

REVELATION AND GUIDANCE – A LAMP TO OUR PATH

BIBLE STUDY



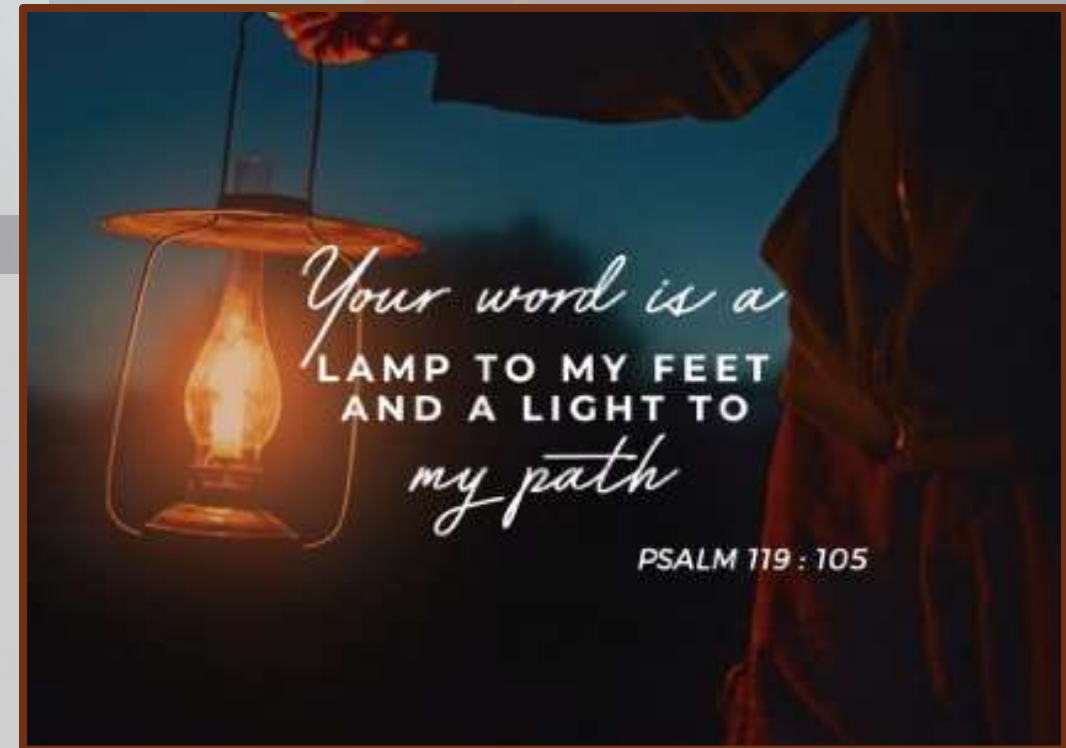
STARTER:

Most of us have a daily routine. Do you feel as if your routine reflects what you love to do? Is reading the Bible part of your daily routine? If so, how does it fit in?

Read Psalm 119 : 105

Your word is a lamp to my feet and a light to my path.

This well-known and well-loved verse is our **Verse of the Year 2022** at Emmanuel Croydon. If you haven't already got one, be sure to get a postcard from church that reflects the beauty of the verse and will be something you can use as a reminder through the coming months.



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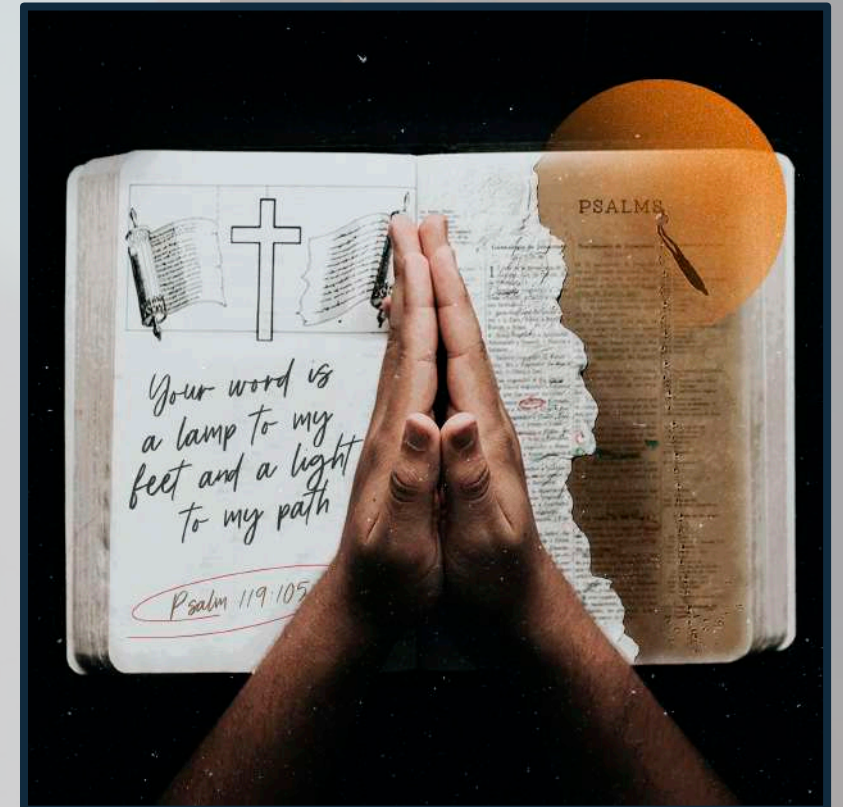
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The first part of the passage talks about the Bible being **a lamp for our feet**.

- The Hebrew word for lamp used here is **'niyar'**. This word is similar to the subtle light of a candle - a light that is not dazzlingly bright, but enough to navigate one step at a time. Reflect on what this might mean for us as believers as we seek God's guidance in our lives.
- The niyar lamp that is used in this passage was a small oil lamp. ***What would you say provides the oil for the 'lamp for our feet'?*** (Psalm 18 : 28)
- As we think about this image of the Bible as a lamp for our feet, what might be some of the potholes that it illuminates on the road we walk on in our daily lives?



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The second part of the verse talks about the Bible being **a light for our path.**

- How might the image of a path be seen as different from the image of daily steps used in the first part of the verse?
- How might this description of the Bible help us to see our lives as believers?
- **Psalm 119 : 105** translated in the Passion Translation reads: *Truth's shining light guides me in my choices and decisions; the revelation of your Word makes my pathway clear.*
- How does it encourage us to remember that the Bible brings truth in the world we now live in?
- In what ways might we seek 'the revelation of God's word' so that our pathway is clear? What ways have you found that are particularly helpful to you as a Christian as you seek guidance?



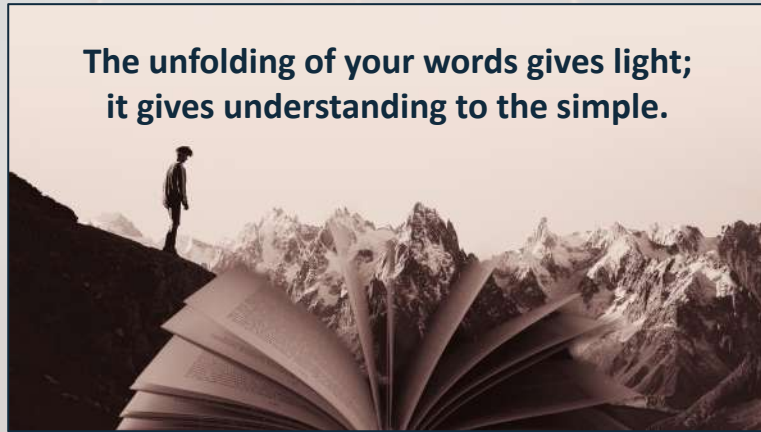
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GOING DEEPER

Read Psalm 119 : 130

The unfolding of your words gives light;
it gives understanding to the simple.

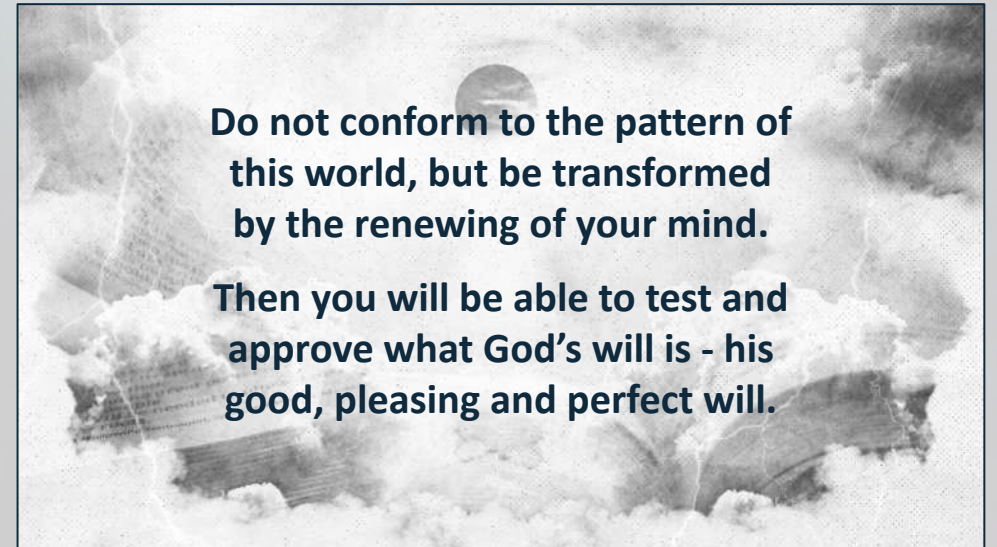


- Studying this verse, how do you think we might gain wisdom?
- Consider what it teaches about our attitude and our actions as we approach Bible reading.
- What might this mean for our daily routine?

Read Romans 12 : 2

Do not conform to the pattern of
this world, but be transformed
by the renewing of your mind.

Then you will be able to test and
approve what God's will is - his
good, pleasing and perfect will.



- How do you think we might seek to renew our mind?
- What does this verse teach us about guidance?

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REFLECT | LISTEN | PRAY

REFLECT

In what ways do you sense God telling you to act on what you have considered today as you go into the New Year?

LISTEN

Use this song as a prayer in your group



(Amy Grant – Thy Word)

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=a6LC8cu031g>

PRAY

Ask God to help you appreciate the light of understanding that comes from his Word as you dig deeper over this year. Thank him for the truth that is revealed within it.

What decisions are you facing today that you could bring before God and ask for his guidance and wisdom?