



September 1, 2024 Sermon Notes

Sermon:

“A Sweet Taste That Doesn’t Get Old”

(Psalm 119:103 ESV)

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Sermon Text:

Psalm 119:103 ESV

How sweet are your words to my taste, sweeter than honey to my mouth!

Background:

- This section of Psalm 119 (Psalm 119:97-104) is known as “Mem” and this section is also said to have the meaning of water, truth, peace, and warm feelings. With this section, this section is said to be the section that displays and shows the love of the word of the Lord. As it opens up it is that love of the word of the Lord, because the love of the word of the Lord is mediation, it is comforting, it makes us wiser than enemies, because the word doesn't leave, and that it gives us understanding and makes us meditate because it gives us understanding over anything, and over anybody because it is your word.
- The word of the Lord is that powerful, and the word of the Lord makes you have understanding that others can't have. The word of the Lord is what makes you not fall for any evil way, because when you are keeping the word of the Lord it makes you not fall or go in any place that isn't of God, and that will get you in trouble. Then when you have received the word of the Lord, it will make you not turn away from the Lord and the reason that you won't turn away from the Lord is because you know that God's word has kept you, taught you, and has made you live.
- Stay with the Lord, and don't leave the Lord but make sure that you know the Lord and when you are living for the Lord and you know what the word says then you won't fall for just anything. Don't fall for anything, but when you have the word of the Lord you ignore things and you don't have to succumb to anything that is not of

you, and that is not pleasing to the Lord. We need to always make sure that we are keeping the word of the Lord close, and when we have the word of God it will give us comfort, it will give us direction, and it will make us live holy because we have His word in our hearts.

- Your desire for the Lord will make you live the right way, and because you desire the Lord and because you want the Lord it will make you want Him and it will make you glad that the Lord is on your side. The Lord is there for you, and the word of the Lord is that reminder that I know God is alive, I know God will take care of me, I know God will bless me, I know God will see me through any tough time, and I know that the Lord will surely keep me, and since He will I know that I am in the right hands. I can and will live because of the word of God, and I won't forget or neglect the Lord because His word is real.

“A Fresh Taste”

- The taste that the Lord gives is a taste that you don't want to lose, because when you have the right taste in your mouth and in your spirit that will be the direction that you will need for your life, that will be the conviction for your life, and that will be the guidance for your life. You never see the Lord serving you words that will hurt you, but the Lord will serve you words that will help you, the Lord will serve you words that will prosper you, the Lord will serve words that will fulfill you, and the Lord will serve you words that will take care of you.
- The question you have to ask yourself is: “What Taste Is Controlling My Mouth?”
- You can't grow if you never eat the right food, the right food is the word of the Lord but how can we grow with the Lord if we never eat what the Lord serves. There's no food like the Lord's food, and it doesn't matter what anybody says or what anybody thinks the word of God is the lifeline that you need, the word of the Lord works when other things don't work, the word of the Lord will provide the answers to complexing and perplexing problems, and more than that the word of the Lord is what brings us closer to the Lord, but you can't get close to what you don't want.
- You can't make excuses for why you can't have a better walk with the Lord when the Lord is there and His word is there. The word of God is a treasure chest that you can always find great treasure, the word of the Lord is like a great movie that you can always watch, the word of the Lord is water that is refreshing to the soul, the word of the Lord is a camera that always takes the right picture, and the word of the Lord will always give you the right words. We need the word of the Lord, and we can't improve in life if we don't have the word of the Lord, but we need the word of the Lord and when we have the word of the Lord our lives improve.
- How is it that we bring so much to our homes but we don't spend time with the Lord, if our homes spent more time with the Lord our homes would be better, if our homes had more of the Lord instead more of the world parents would be better,

marriages would be better, children would be better, and we could have more peace in our homes if we would let the Lord be our leaders, and if we would have the word of the Lord in our hearts.

- Churches won't grow without the word and that is why the word of the Lord is important. The Church grows through the preaching and teaching of the word of the Lord, and when we have the word of the Lord the Church gets better, we become better servants, we become better tithers, we become better worshippers, we become better in all areas and that is because we are dedicated and we are serving the Lord. We do that through the word of the Lord, and because we have the word of the Lord the Church will have that spirit that can't be extinguished but we know it is because of the Lord that the Church stands and lives through the word of the Lord.
- How much do we really love and care about God, to walk away from things that we know will corrupt our relationship with God? I love the Lord, and it is good to have things and it is good to have blessings but at what cost, at what price, and how far are you willing to go to acquire things but you are losing you, you are lost, and you go through the darkness just to have these things!
- Does God mean enough to you, to not involve yourself in other things and to follow the right path! How much does the Lord mean to you, how much does the Lord have influence over you, and how much does the Lord really fit into your life? When you really know the power and grace of God, and have been close and are close to the Lord, having the word of the Lord in my heart, in my spirit, in my life, and having God in my life is just something that can't be replaced!

“Honey Benefits”

- Honey dates back all of the way to 3,500 BCE. Honey was commonly used by all classes of people, suggesting that Egyptians mastered beekeeping on a very large scale. Indeed, records indicate the Egyptians constructed elaborate systems for honey production, including specialized rafts for moving beehives along the River Nile to maintain close proximity to seasonal, flowering plants.
- The health benefits of honey are this: It is a great source of antioxidants, it can help with weight management, it can help fight off colds and inflammation, it can help have healthy gums, it can help improve your immune system, it can help improve sleep, and it can help detox your body.
- The reason you are alive right now is because the Lord sticks to us, think about some of the toughest times that you have had and you know the pains, you know the hurts, you know the wounds, and you just know the disappointments but you're alive right now because the Lord sticks close to you! The Lord is the one that has allowed you to make it, because think about the hurts, think about those long roads, think about those dark times and seasons but the Lord still let you live and stay

alive through that it ought to make you praise Him, and it ought to make you rejoice because the Lord is a sticking God!

- We should be glad we have a sticky God! God knows your problems, God knows your hearts, God sees your tears, God sees your bruises, God knows what you are dealing with and what you are troubled by! God knows what you are dealing with, God knows what you are bothered by, God is not silent to the burdens you are enduring, and the best thing is that not only does God know our pain, but He is with us as we are suffering and going through the Lord is walking right with me, and I know that I can hold His hand because He is holding me!
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This Week's Goals:

- Read Psalm 37 this week!

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