God’s Peace – Shalom

Psalm 119 is a hymn to God’s Word. Many terms are used such as: commands, law, precepts, promises and statutes.

There are 22 stanzas as there are 22 letters in the Hebrew alphabet. Every verse in each stanza will begin with the Hebrew letter assigned to it. This is poetry in motion: God’s motion-motivation to motivate our trust in him.

The Hebrew letter “shin” is assigned to the 21st stanza. The famous Hebrew word “shalom” begins with this letter. Shalom means peace. We have God’s peace litigated by the Prince of Peace: Jesus Christ. Here is one verse as an example:

 Great peace have they who love your law,

 and nothing can make them stumble. (v. 165).

The first half makes a declaration and the second half declares God’s gift of his shalom (peace). All those who have accepted Jesus Christ as Savior now have his peace deep in their hearts. There is nothing in this world that can make them stumble. They will be led by God’s peace that was purchased by Jesus himself, in person, on the cross. May more and more people receive the gift of God’s peace in Christ.

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**Psalm 119:161-168**

161 We revere God’s Word

162 We rejoice in God’s Promise Isaiah 9:2-7

163 We love God’s Law Isaiah 28:15-16

164 We praise God for his Laws Romans 2:14-15

165 We have peace with God John 14:27

 Revelation 19:6-9

166 We wait for God’s salvation

167 We obey God’s statutes Deuteronomy 6:4-5

 Matthew 22:34-40

168 We are known by God Job 38:1-4

 Job 40:1-5

 Job 42:1-6