# PASSION FOR GOD'S WORD

# Scripture Reading: Psalms 119:9-16

### Introduction:

- 1. Everyone knows and appreciates the value of cleanliness.
- 2. The most important part that must be cleansed is our souls before the Lord!
- 3. We cleanse our souls through the word of the Lord by...

# I. HEEDING GOD'S WORD

- A. PUTTING THE WORD INTO ACTION
  - 1. Hearing the word of God –Ro 10:17
  - 2. Doing the word of God –Ja 1:22, Lk 6:46, Ro 2:13
- B. FOLLOWING THE PATTERN
  - 1. Moses followed the pattern when building the tabernacle -
  - 2. We please God through following the pattern set forth in the Scriptures

# II. SEEKING GOD'S WORD

- A. WITH ALL ONE'S HEART
  - 1. Most seek after God during times of trouble
  - 2. One must have the habit of seeking God's word always (good times and bad).
- B. STEADFASTNESS IN TIMES OF EASE
  - 1. Many turn away from God when life becomes easy
  - 2. E.g. Israel –cling to God during hardships; all-clear they would be back to their ways

### III. HIDING GOD'S WORD

- A. JESUS USED THE WORD -Mt 4:1-11
- B. WE MUST STUDY
  - 1. Paul stated to Timothy -2Ti 2:15
  - 2. We study to contend effectively –Jude 3; 1Pe 3:15

### IV. DESIRING THE WORD

- A. HUNGER AND THIRST FOR RIGHTEOUSNESS Mt 5:6
- B. BENEFITS OF THE WORD
  - 1. The word reveals to us our Savior
  - 2. The word reveals to us the path of salvation

# V. <u>REMEMBERING THE WORD</u>

- A. THE APOSTLES
  - 1. Peter sought to remind the brethren -2Pe 1:12-15
  - 2. Paul said that it was not tedious for him to remind them --Ph 3:1
- B. WHAT WE REMEMBER
  - 1. Our Creator while we are young -Ec 12:1
  - 2. God's commands / promises as we are faced with temptation -1Co 10:12, 13

### Conclusion:

- 1. There are a variety of facets to the benefits of God's word in our lives
- 2. Our goal should always be to embrace the word of God keeping it close to our hearts