

WEDNESDAY PRAYER MEETING

Mid-Week Devotional

SERIES:

"Christ in the Psalms"

August 18th, 2021

"The Golden Psalm: Daleth" Psalm 119:25-32

MEMORIZATION CHALLENGE

in 🛪 (<i>alef</i>), Psa 119:1	in ל (lamed), Psa 119:89
in ⊐ (<i>beyt</i>), Psa 119:11	in מ (mem), Psa 119:97
in ג (gimel), Psa 119:18	in 1 (nun), Psa 119:105
in ७ (<i>daleth</i>), Psa 119:29	in o (samek), Psa 119:114
in ה (heh), Psa 119:37	in צ' (ayin), Psa 119:128
in 1 (vav), Psa 119:45	in 5 (<i>peh</i>), Psa 119:133
in † (zayin), Psa 119:50	in ម (tzadiy), Psa 119:137
in ה (cheth), Psa 119:63	in ₹ (qoph), Psa 119:149
in ບ (teth), Psa 119:66	in ¬ (resh), Psa 119:160
in ' (<i>yod</i>), Psa 119:73	in w (shin), Psa 119: 162
in \supset (khaf), Psa 119:81	in ה (tav), Psa 119:172

DALETH 7

7 ($D\hat{A}$ -lət) is the 4th letter of the Hebrew *alef-beyt*. The ancient symbol/letter for daleth was drawn as a tent entrance or tabernacle door curtain...



The sound of daleth most closely resembles our English hard 'd' sound (7), as in 'dip' or 'dog.'

גז (dâgh) means "fish" לך (dâl) means "poor" בן (dâm) means "blood"

Daleth is feminine in gender, and by its ancient pictograph, means "door," "move," "hang," or "entrance." The word for door in Hebrew is דלח ($d\hat{e}l\hat{e}th$). Daleth has the numerical value of "4." Daleth's masculine partner is gimel. As gimel symbolically represents 'walking,' and the letter looks like a man walking, λ , followed immediately by τ ($d\hat{a}l$), the 1st 2 letters of τ ($d\hat{a}l\hat{e}th$), their marriage represents "mercy" in Jewish tradition, because it is "walking toward the poor or needy." Therefore, daleth, as a letter, in Jewish tradition, also represents a "door of opportunity." Thus, daleth also symbolizes "hope" of something better.

Because ל ($d\hat{a}l$) means, 'poor' or 'needy,' daleth also represents "humility" in another Jewish tradition. We can easily see Messiah in daleth, as the Lord Jesus is the Door or דלה ($d\hat{e}l\hat{e}th$), by which men must enter to gain salvation (John 10:9), humbling Himself as God to become a Man to seek and to save the lost (Luke 19:10). The Messiah is fallen man's only Hope.

PSALM 119:25-32 DALETH WORDS

- **v25** דבקה (DÂV-qâh) means "cling" or "cleave"
 - Adam was made of the dust of the ground, and in his fall, to dust did his body return. Jesus, the heavenly Man, became like "dust" for our sake and sought life from the grave according to God's Word. (see 1 Cor 15:3-4)
- v26 דרכי (də-RÂ-khây) means "my way" or "my ways"
 - Even as a 12-year-old boy, Jesus declared His way when He said to His parents, "Did you not know that I must be about My Father's business?" (Lk 2:49). Though He is almighty God, He laid aside His glory as God to become a Man with no other advantage over common man, except that He was sinless and was led of the Hoy Spirit (see Heb 5:8)
- v27 דרך־פקודיך (dêr-ÊKH Pî-QŪD-êy-khâ) means "way of Your precepts" Although the Lord Jesus was the Way, and the Truth, and the Life (Jn 14:6), as holy Man and our Substitute, He sought God's understanding for Himself through the Spirit in His meditations upon the Father's Word and works. (see Psa 40:7-8)
- v28 דלפה (dâl-FÂH) means "melt," "weep," or "pour out" Christ, forsaken on the cross (Psa 22:1), poured out His soul under the wrath of God, and found strength in God's Word. (see Jn 4:34)
- **v29** זרך־שקר (*dêr-ÊKH SHÊ-qər*) means "way of deceit" or "way of lies" Though Adam was created perfect, he succumbed to the way of lies in Eden. Christ, the pure Son of God, desired God's law to enlighten His eyes by God's gracious law. (see Psa 19:8-9)
- v30 דרך־אמונה (dêr-ÊKH Ê-mū-nâh) means "way of truth"

 The Lord Jesus Christ is Faithful and True Witness, the Way, and the Truth, and the Life, and He is the Amen of God, who suffered God's judgment on behalf of all He would save. (see Rev 3:14)
- v31 הבקתי (dâ-VÂQ-thîy) means "I cling" or "I cleave"

 The one Man who cleaved to God's testimonies suffered a shameful death so we must not be ashamed of His gospel, which saved us. (see Heb 12:2; Rom 1:16)
- v32 דרך־מצותיך (dêr-ÊKH mîtz-Ō-thîy-khâ) means "way of Your commandments"
 - Because Christ has enlarged our hearts with the truth of His person & work, we will run the way of His commandments so as to win the race for His glory. (see 1 Cor 9:24; Heb 12:1)

"I know your works. See, I have set before you an open door, and no one can shut it; for you have a little strength, have kept My word, and have not denied My name." **Rev 3:8**

What to Pray for This Week:

- 1. May the blessed truth of Your Word minister to us as we pray.
- 2. May our prayers begin sounding like those prayed in Scripture because You're conforming our lives to Christ.
- 3. May our focus in prayer be upon You, and not for the ears of man.
- 4. Pour out Your Spirit upon Christ's church, and upon the world.
- 5. Purify Your children, and unite us to worship You in Christ, with one heart, one mind and one accord.
- Raise up godly ministers unto Your harvest, and bless those who are already laboring in Your field.
- Be merciful unto us by bringing saving faith to our unsaved family, friends, neighbors, the village of Ninilchik, and all the residents of the Kenai Peninsula.
- 8. Remove from us all pride, haughtiness and arrogance, and make us ever watchful against the flesh and every temptation from the enemy.
- 9. Humble us as we commune with You in prayer, and keep us from lipservice, from deedless word religion and heartless works religion.
- 10. Teach us to abide in Christ each time we pray; that our hearts may be knit to His so we may glorify You.

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