



CALVARY BAPTIST CHURCH
NINILCHIK

WEDNESDAY PRAYER MEETING

Mid-Week Devotional

SERIES:

“Christ in the Psalms”

September 1st, 2021

“The Golden Psalm: Vav”

Psalm 119:41-48

MEMORIZATION CHALLENGE

in א (*alef*), Psa 119:1

in ב (*beyt*), Psa 119:11

in ג (*gimel*), Psa 119:18

in ד (*daleth*), Psa 119:29

in ה (*heh*), Psa 119:37

in ו (*vav*), Psa 119:45

in ז (*zayin*), Psa 119:50

in ח (*cheth*), Psa 119:63

in ט (*teth*), Psa 119:66

in י (*yod*), Psa 119:73

in כ (*khaf*), Psa 119:81

in ל (*lamed*), Psa 119:89

in מ (*mem*), Psa 119:97

in נ (*nun*), Psa 119:105

in ס (*samek*), Psa 119:114

in ע (*ayin*), Psa 119:128

in פ (*peh*), Psa 119:133

in צ (*tzadiq*), Psa 119:137

in ק (*qoph*), Psa 119:149

in ר (*resh*), Psa 119:160

in ש (*shin*), Psa 119: 162

in ת (*tav*), Psa 119:172

VAV ו

ו (*vâv*) is the 6th letter of the Hebrew *alef-beyt*. The ancient symbol/letter for vav was drawn as a tent peg...

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The sounds of vav (ו) vary, depending upon how it is used. It most closely resembles our English 'v' sound, as in 'virtue' or 'victory.'

וּ (*vâv*) means "peg" or "hook"

וַי (*vây*) means "alas" or "woe"

Vav is also used as a vowel (at times, but not always) having the long 'o' sound (וֹ) as in 'hope' or the stretched 'oo' sound (וּ) as 'look' or 'book.' Examples of this may be seen in the words...

גּוֹיִם (*gōy*) means "Gentile" or "nation"

הוּא (*hū*) means "he"

דָּוִד (*dâ-VîD*) is the name of "David"

Vav is feminine in gender, and by its ancient pictograph, means "add," "hook," or "secure." The word וּ (*vâv*) means "peg" or "hook." Like Heh, Vav is one of a handful of Hebrew letters that has its own meaning. When attached to the beginning of a word, Vav has the meaning of "and" or "so," having the 'v' sound, except when it is used before the letters ב (*beyt*), מ (*mem*), and פ (*peh*), when it takes on the 'oo' sound.

Vav has the numerical value of "6." Jesus created man on the 6th day; and at the end of the 6th day after His triumphal entry, Jesus rose from the dead and left an empty tomb, to *secure* salvation for those who believe.

PSALM 119:41-48 VAV WORDS

v41 ויבאני (*vây-VÔ-ên-ên-ēy*) means “and unto me come”

While salvation has come to us by the mercies of God, the understanding of that truth, and the ability to live by that truth, must come also by God’s mercy and grace in Christ. (see Rom 12:1)

v42 ואענה (*və-ÊN-ê-nêh*) means “so to answer”

Literally, “So to answer one who taunts me a word, therefore, my confident trust is in Your Word” (PJT). (see 1 Pet 3:15)

v43 ואל-תצל (*və-ÊL tâtz-ÊL*) means “and take not”

The godly child of God knows the world of iniquity that is in the tongue, and seeks the Lord to fill the mouth with His truth. (see Jas 3:6-10)

v44 ואשמרה (*və-ÊSH-mə-râh*) means “so I will keep”

And because of Christ’s faithfulness to keep His word and fill our mouths in v43, we can trust He will keep us so that we can protect, cherish, and guard (keep) His law forever. (see 2 Cor 5:21)

v45 ואתהלכה (*və-ÊT-hâl-khâh*) means “and I will walk”

Faith in God’s precepts and statutes, that is, faith in the gospel of His only Son, changes our behavior (*I will walk*). (see 2 Cor 5:17)

v46 ואדבררה (*vâ-ÂD-âb-râh*) means “and I will speak”

Faith in God’s testimonies, that is, faith in the gospel of His incarnate and crucified Son, changes our speech unashamedly. (see Rom 1:16)

v47 ואשתעשע (*və-ÊSH-tâ-ə-shâ*) means “and I will delight”

If we love Christ Jesus and delight in Him, we will also love the commandments He kept on our behalf, and delight in them. (see Rom 7:12)

v48 ואשא-כפי (*və-êš-Â khâ-PÏY*) means “and I will lift my palms”

Empowered by Christ, we will praise His commandments and not keep them hidden; and moreover, with love, we will mediate upon His statutes. (see Ex 33:23)

CHALLENGE

“But he who looks into the perfect law of liberty and continues in it, and is not a forgetful hearer but a doer of the work, this one will be blessed in what he does.” James 1:25

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.
6. Raise up godly ministers unto Your harvest, and bless those who are already laboring in Your field.
7. 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 lip-service, 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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