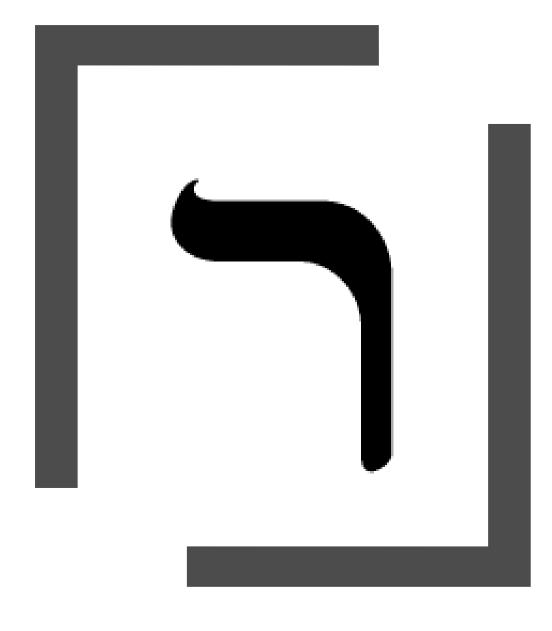
Psalm 119: 153-176



#### 119.153-160

- •The theme of this stanza is that we have a big God who can handle our big problems
- Consider, plead, far, mercies, many, beheld, consider, and beginning are the first words

# God is big: His Words establish our relationship before Him

- 153-154: His Word is the reason believers can appeal for help
- 155, 158: Rejection of His Word is the condemnation of unbelievers
- 159-160: His Word is the reason believers can appeal for help

## Problems are big—God is bigger

- 156-157
- Great and many are the same Hebrew word
- •God is greater than many persecutors, so the singer will not turn from God's Word

119.1 61-168





- •In this stanza, the singer exalts God's Word
- Princes, rejoice, lying, seven, peace, hoped, hoped, and kept are the first Hebrew words

## He exalts it by observing

- •That it is more fearsome (awe) than rulers, 161
- •That is like finding a great treasure, 162
- •That it is righteous, 163-164
- •That it is stabilizing in the life of a believer, 165

- •That it contains instruction about deliverance, 166-167
- •That our judgment is based upon our observation of the Word, 168



119.169-176

- •In this stanza, the singer emphasizes his human frailty
- •Come near, come, utter, speak, let, longed, live, and astray, are the first Hebrew words

#### He is confident in the word

- 169, it is where true understanding is found
- 170, it promises deliverance
- 171, it teaches us right things about God
- 172, all God's commands are righteous

### He is concerned about his own humanity

- •He needs to be taught, 171
- •He needs to be helped, 173
- •He needs to be delivered, 174
- His life is in God's hands, 175
- •In spite of his commitment to God's Word, he wanders like a lost sheep, 176