

PERSONAL REVIVAL IN THE WORD

Reference: **Psalms 119:25-32**

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This section is structured by the powerful effects of God's Word. It revives the soul (v. 25); it imparts inner strength (v. 28); it guides into truth (v. 30); and it enlarges the heart (v. 32).

It consists of three section: the request (v. 25); the realization (vs. 26-29), and the resolve (vs.30-32).

I. THE REQUEST – vs. 25;

Reference: **2 Corinthians 12:1-10**

Revival comes when we reach the end of our own resources, repent, and call upon God to intervene.

This prayer for revival is based upon God's Word, for God promises to give life to those who seek Him.

Some suggest the psalmist was near death.

References: **Psalm 22:29; 104:29**

The KJV word (vs. 25) "*quicken*" means "save me alive, restore life to me, or revive me." He asks the Lord to invigorate and breath new life into him. He prays for personal revival based on the Word of God.

II. THE REALIZATIONS – vs. 26-29

vs. 26:

The Bible was given by God's inspiration and is His revelation to man, and on its pages we find everything we need to know in order to receive salvation and live for the Lord.

Reference: **2 Timothy 3:16**

vs. 27

God's Word reveals His wonders to those who will meditate upon it.

The Lord leads us subjectively in the Bible's application. The Spirit applies different verses to different Christians in different ways at different times.

Dedicating our minds to Christ allows the Spirit to guide our thoughts into pathways that are positive and restorative.

The Bible tells us all we need to know.

vs. 28:

This verse is a prayer for strength according to the promise of God's Word. The Word of God will restore him. It is the light that dispels the darkness (**v. 130**).

The despair of the psalmist, recorded in **Psalm 119**, leads him to the promise of comfort and mercy. Out of tribulation new understanding and strength will arise.

vs. 29:

This verse suggests the reason for the psalmist's pain.

Deceitful ways are ways that seem right but lead to death.

Reference: **Proverbs. 14:12**

Lying may be the way of enemies who attack him, or it may be the way of falsehood in which he has been trapped. To lose touch with God is to lose touch with reality. It is to move from life to death.

The Psalmist realized that the Word of God could restore him to the way of truth. Reference: **John 17:17**

Which is more dangerous: a lie or A HALF-TRUTH?

Here's just a few examples:

1. People, at heart, are basically good;
2. The world's getting better;
3. Technological progress is the key to our happiness and well-being.

III. THE RESOLVE – vs. 30-32

vs. 30:

God discloses His faithful way in His Word. The Word of the Lord thus confirms the choices of those who sets before themselves [make a determination] to walk in the faithful way, the way of God's ordinances.

vs. 31:

The psalmist resolved that he will stand upon God's Word.

Disappointment is the risk of faith. Examples: preaching the gospel, praying for the sick. Will God act? Yet if we are to walk on the water, we must step out of the boat by our faith in God's Word.

vs. 32:

This verse teaches that the Word of the Lord inspires and renews resolve.

Out of our brokenness, out of our confessed weakness,
we cry out to God and He answers, according to His Word.

He comes to revive us. He comes to strengthen us.
He places us in the path of truth.
To stand upon His Word and do it is the solid foundation for our lives.