Wednesday Word 10-29-2025

<u>Psalm 119:7</u> "The law of the Lord is perfect, reviving the soul; the testimony of the Lord is sure, making wise the simple."

I went to Life Christian School in Tacoma until I was in High School. In the 1990s, the school only went up to 8<sup>th</sup> grade. When students would graduate and go on to High School, the Pastor would give everyone a Study Bible. I remember getting home after graduation, putting it on my shelf and it would sit there for the next six years. After a season of rebellion, I returned to the Lord and needed a new Bible. I picked that Bible up off the shelf and began to read it.

It was as if I was reading it for the first time. The words jumped up off the pages, and I could literally feel it feeding my thirsty Spirit. I was addicted. I would come home and read for hours. I think I read the entire thing twice in a three-month period. I had never felt so alive in my life.

It was during this season of my spiritual journey with Jesus that I developed a passion and respect for God's Word. Every page held a new mystery about God and His plan for humanity. I was mesmerized at how every verse played a bigger part in tying the rest of the book together. It truly is a divine work of God that no human author could have designed or organized. This book was and is and will continue to be inspired and inerrant.

As the years have gone by and life's seasons have changed, I have noticed how my passion has never waned. I don't always have the time to read and study as I used to as the responsibilities of life have required me to carry His Word in my heart but my love for God's Word has only grown.

I want to challenge us all this week, in whatever it looks like for you, to fall in love with God's Word. To keep it the source of life for your soul, your spirit, and your mind. Open up a story you haven't read in years and let the Holy Spirit speak to you in a fresh new way.

We are very fortunate in our country to be able to read, share, and speak God's Word without fear of persecution. There are people in many nations who are executed if they are found with a Bible. Their passion is so strong for the truth that they risk their lives to read scripture. If they are passionate and desperate enough to risk everything, we can sacrifice a few comforts or habits to study and glean God's Truth.

Let's work this week to develop that love for God's Word and let it grow each day!

I love you and God loves you!

Pastor Eric Lundberg