

## Psalm 119 • Yodh, Kaph & Lamedh (#10-12)

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1. (v.73-80) Yodh (י): **A Dual Working in Others.** There is a **dual** working of God's Word through us to **build up** others in the Body of Christ, and at the same time **bear witness** to those who have yet to accept Christ as their personal Savior. Our obedience to God's Word and ways simultaneously **works** on **both**.
2. (v.81-88) Kaph (כ): **When Will Justice Come?** Persecution of believers has always resulted in not just refining and strengthening the faith and walk of **believer's**, but in having a multiplying effectiveness where the opportunities to share the Gospel with **unbelievers** is concerned. There is unlimited time in **eternity** for justice, but only a short window in **this life** to avoid it.
3. (v.89-96) Lamedh (ל): **Eternal Perfection.** In this life we have the choice of obedience to the **eternal** nature of God's Word, which not only established Creation and extends to **eternity** past, but to our **eternity** future, or remain with the limitations of earthly **perfection**, which is actually no **perfection** at all.

For Small Group Leaders to summarize these three lessons:

### **Overall Application**

**Q: What appears to be a common, underlying theme in these teachings?**

A: The contrast of the temporal—this life, and the eternal—the next life.

**Q: Why do things in this life matter where eternity is concerned?**

**Aren't we all destined for death anyway?**

A: Our soul is actually immortal and will not cease just because our life on this planet ends.

**Application** How we live here determines where we live there. And as it turns out, it's not just how we live individually in and of ourselves, but how we live with others.