

Psalm 119 • Mem, Nun & Samekh (#13-15)

1. (v.97-104) Mem (מ): **The Power of Meditation**. This all comports to the theme of **meditating** on God's Word, meaning that it is not just never out of our **thoughts**, but that we can no longer even entertain an **alternative** to first and foremost obey it.
2. (v.105-112) Nun (נ): **The Light of the Word**. God's Word will always provide enough **illumination** to allow us to keep to the proper path. As Jesus **IS** the Word, we can see why, in **eternity**, there is no need for any other **Light**.
3. (v.113-120) Samekh (ס): **The Right Response**. The right response to the total spectrum of **non-believers** is God's Word. It **hides** us, **protects** us, and always comes at the appropriate **time**.

For Small Group Leaders to summarize these three lessons:

Overall Application

Q: What is the difference between "reading" and "meditating"?

A: "Reading" is an informational approach, but "meditating" is incarnational—that is, the process by which God's Word becomes a part of us.

Q: How might that be important when it comes the working of the Word as our light?

A: Whereas an informational approach may show something about God's path, when the Word becomes a part of us we do not allow ourselves to stray from the path—we follow up with obedience.

Q: How might these teachings actually successively lead into each other?

- We incorporate God's Word into our **prayer** life.
- God's Word **illuminates** our way.
- God's Word works in us **personally** and as a visible **witness**.