

## ESV Study Bible on Psalm 119:105-112 (Study Bible)

**119:105** lamp ... light. See note on 112:4. The common style of lamp in ancient Israel was a small bowl with a pinched lip which was used to support a wick.

**119:106** sworn an oath. Perhaps like that of Neh. 10:29.

**119:108** freewill offerings. See notes on 54:6–7; 56:12–13; 66:13–15. The piety of this psalm is intensely personal, and the liturgical ordinances of the covenant are part of it.

**119:111** my heritage. Cf. v. 57.

Crossway Bibles, The ESV Study Bible (Wheaton, IL: Crossway Bibles, 2008), 1098–1099.

## Bible Knowledge Commentary on Psalm 119:105-112 (WHOLE BIBLE COMMENTARY)

God's Word is a light (119:105–112)

**119:105–112.** Recognizing that God's Word was his light to direct him (cf. v. 130; Prov. 6:23) the psalmist vowed to follow it (Ps. 119:105–106). In his distress (vv. 107–110) he called for help and affirmed that he would joyfully follow God's statutes and decrees (vv. 111–112).

Allen P. Ross, "Psalms," in The Bible Knowledge Commentary: An Exposition of the Scriptures, ed. J. F. Walvoord and R. B. Zuck, vol. 1 (Wheaton, IL: Victor Books, 1985), 881.



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## BIBLE TRANSLATION CHART

WORD-FOR-WORD					THOUGHT-FOR-THOUGHT			PARAPHRASE	
NASB	ESV	KJV	NKJV	CSB	NIV	NLT		Living	Message

NASB - New American Standard

ESV - English Standard Version

KJV - King James Version

NKJV - New King James Version

CSB - Christian Standard Bible

NIV - New International Version

NLT - New Living Translation

Living - Living Bible

Message - The Message

Your word is a lamp to my feet  
and a light to my path.  
I have sworn an oath and confirmed it,  
to keep your righteous rules.  
I am severely afflicted;  
give me life, O LORD, according to your word!  
Accept my freewill offerings of praise, O LORD,  
and teach me your rules.  
I hold my life in my hand continually,  
but I do not forget your law.  
The wicked have laid a snare for me,  
but I do not stray from your precepts.  
Your testimonies are my heritage forever,  
for they are the joy of my heart.  
I incline my heart to perform your statutes  
forever, to the end. (Psalm 119:105-112, **ESV**.)

Your word is a lamp to guide my feet  
and a light for my path.  
I've promised it once, and I'll promise it again:  
I will obey your righteous regulations.  
I have suffered much, O LORD;  
restore my life again as you promised.  
LORD, accept my offering of praise,  
and teach me your regulations.  
My life constantly hangs in the balance,  
but I will not stop obeying your instructions.  
The wicked have set their traps for me,  
but I will not turn from your commandments.  
Your laws are my treasure;  
they are my heart's delight.  
I am determined to keep your decrees  
to the very end. (Psalm 119:105-112, **NLT**.)

By your words I can see where I'm going;  
they throw a beam of light on my dark path.  
I've committed myself and I'll never turn back  
from living by your righteous order.  
Everything's falling apart on me, GOD;  
put me together again with your Word.  
Festoon me with your finest sayings, GOD;  
teach me your holy rules.  
My life is as close as my own hands,  
but I don't forget what you have revealed.  
The wicked do their best to throw me off track,  
but I don't swerve an inch from your course.  
I inherited your book on living; it's mine forever—  
what a gift! And how happy it makes me!  
I concentrate on doing exactly what you say—  
I always have and always will. (Psalm 119:105-112, **MSG**.)