Readings Sunday 14 July 2024

Psalm 119: 97 - 104 & Timothy 3: 10 - 17

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- ⁹⁷ Oh, how I love your law! I meditate on it all day long.
- ⁹⁸ Your commands are always with me and make me wiser than my enemies.
- ⁹⁹ I have more insight than all my teachers, for I meditate on your statutes.
- ¹⁰⁰ I have more understanding than the elders, for I obey your precepts.
- ¹⁰¹ I have kept my feet from every evil path so that I might obey your word.
- ¹⁰² I have not departed from your laws, for you yourself have taught me.
- ¹⁰³ How sweet are your words to my taste, sweeter than honey to my mouth!
- ¹⁰⁴ I gain understanding from your precepts; therefore I hate every wrong path.

A final charge to Timothy

¹⁰ You, however, know all about my teaching, my way of life, my purpose, faith, patience, love, endurance, ¹¹ persecutions, sufferings − what kinds of things happened to me in Antioch, Iconium and Lystra, the persecutions I endured. Yet the Lord rescued me from all of them. ¹² In fact, everyone who wants to live a godly life in Christ Jesus will be persecuted, ¹³ while evildoers and impostors will go from bad to worse, deceiving and being deceived. ¹⁴ But as for you, continue in what you have learned and have become convinced of, because you know those from whom you learned it, ¹⁵ and how from infancy you have known the Holy Scriptures, which are able to make you wise for salvation through faith in Christ Jesus. ¹⁶ All Scripture is God-breathed and is useful for teaching, rebuking, correcting and training in righteousness, ¹⁷ so that the servant of God¹¹ may be thoroughly equipped for every good work.