

# **“What Are Our Feelings Toward the Bible?”**

## **Psm. 119:1-16**

### Introduction

- I. Unfortunately, the Bible is no longer as appreciated and wanted as it once was.
- II. Sadly, this attitude is not only found in the world, but also in the church.
- III. We must grow to love, respect, and follow the Word of God.

### Discussion

- I. Do we heed the Word of God (Psm. 119:9)?
  - A. It is not enough to hear the Word of God (Rom. 10:17).
  - B. It is not even enough to know the Word of God.
  - C. We must obey the Word of God instructs (James 1:22-25; Rom. 2:13; Luke 6:46).
- II. Do we seek the Word of God (Psm. 119:10)?
  - A. Christians are to utilize the Bible as the primary source for our lives (Matt. 6:33; cf. Psm. 119:172; Matt. 5:6).
  - B. The Bible should not only be used in times of trouble, but also when we are thriving.
  - C. Think about Israel of old.
    1. When things were not so good, they would want to know God's Word so that they could improve their situations.
    2. Once things got better, the people no longer desired God's Word the way that they once did (Hos. 4:16).
- III. Do we hide the Word of God (Psm. 119:11)?
  - A. Our greatest example is Jesus, who knew the Word of God by heart (Matt. 4:1-11).
  - B. We will never be as complete as God would have us to be if we neglect the Word of God (2 Tim. 2:15; 3:16-17).
- IV. Do we remember the Word of God (Psm. 119:16)?
  - A. Peter and Paul wanted the brethren to remember what they had learned (2 Pet. 1:12-15; Phil. 3:1).
  - B. Remembering God's Word will help us to make the right decisions in life (1 Cor. 10:12-13).

### Conclusion

- I. Just exactly how do we feel toward the Bible?
- II. Can we echo the sentiments of the Psalmist?