

Sweeter than Honey & the Honeycomb
Psa. 19:7-10 (Ps 119:97-104)
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Introduction

1. Has the Word lost its sweetness for us today?
2. The Word of God is "sweet" for several reasons. Tonight we will look at a few of those reasons.

WHY IS THE WORD SWEET?

A. "The Law of the Lord is perfect, converting (restoring, reviving) the soul." vs. 7a

1. We need to be convinced of this idea.
2. A law is a rule of action - here, it is the rule for life.
 - a. **I Pet. 1:23**
 - b. **Heb. 4:12**

B. "The testimony of the Lord is sure (trustworthy), making wise the simple." vs. 7b

1. We need the Lord's wisdom. **James 1:5**
2. We need to trust the Lord's wisdom. **Pro. 3:5**
3. What is the testimony? That which is declared; the evidence cited. cf. **John 20:30-31**
4. Remember the testimony is sure (fixed, firm, stable - in comparison with the fleeting, shifting, unstable judgments of human reason.)

C. "The statutes (precepts) of the Lord are right, rejoicing (giving joy to), the heart." vs. 8a

1. These statutes are not to be felt as stern commands, but as gracious indications of what God desires of man for man's own good.
2. The statutes are always right, never wrong.

D. "The commandment of the Lord is pure, enlightening (giving light to) the eyes." vs. 8b

1. Not the suggestion of the Lord.
2. It is pure - enabling one to see clearly.
3. **Mt. 5:8;**
4. Cf. Song, "Purer in Heart, O God, help me to be."

E. "The fear of the Lord is clean, enduring forever." vs. 9 a

- a. **Mt. 24:35**
- b. **Eccl. 12:13,14**

F. "The judgments (ordinances) of the Lord are true, and righteous altogether. vs. 9b

1. God's word is right and cannot be wrong.
 - a. **Ps 119:172**
 - b. **Jn. 8:31-32**

Invitation

1. The Word of God is sweeter than Honey & the Honeycomb for the reasons we mentioned tonight.

2. It is only God's sweet Word that reveals to us the way of eternal life.
3. Full Invitation

Hear

Romans 10:17

So then faith comes by hearing, and hearing by the word of God.

Believe

John 3:16

For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever + in Him should not perish but have everlasting life.

Repent

Luke 13:3

I tell you, no; but unless you repent you will all likewise perish.

Confess

Rom 10:9 — Rom 10:10

that if you confess with your mouth the Lord Jesus and believe in your heart that God has raised Him from the dead, you will be saved. For with the heart one believes unto righteousness, and with the mouth confession is made unto salvation.

Be baptized

Acts 2:38

Then Peter said to them, "Repent, and let every one of you be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ for the remission of sins; and you shall receive the gift of the Holy Spirit.

Acts 22:16

And now why are you waiting? Arise and be baptized, and wash away your sins, calling on the name of the Lord.'

Remain Faithful

Revelation 2:10

Do not fear any of those things which you are about to suffer. Indeed, the devil is about to throw some of you into prison, that you may be tested, and you will have tribulation ten days. Be faithful until death, and I will give you the crown of life.