



How to get smart(er)



## Psalm 119:97-100 KJV

○ O how love I thy law! it is my meditation all the day. Thou through thy commandments hast made me wiser than mine enemies: for they are ever with me. I have more understanding than all my teachers: for thy testimonies are my meditation. I understand more than the ancients, because I keep thy precepts.





# Psalm 119:101-104 KJV

- I have refrained my feet from every evil way, that I might keep thy word. I have not departed from thy judgments: for thou hast taught me. How sweet are thy words unto my taste! yea, sweeter than honey to my mouth! Through thy precepts I get understanding: therefore I hate every false way.



# Psalm 119:97-100 NLT

- Oh, how I love your instructions! I think about them all day long. Your commands make me wiser than my enemies, for they are my constant guide. Yes, I have more insight than my teachers, for I am always thinking of your laws. I am even wiser than my elders, for I have kept your commandments.






# Psalm 119:101-104 NLT

○ I have refused to walk on any evil path, so that I may remain obedient to your word. I haven't turned away from your regulations, for you have taught me well. How sweet your words taste to me; they are sweeter than honey. Your commandments give me understanding; no wonder I hate every false way of life.

# Verse 97: Law

Lexicon :: Strong's H8451 - towrah

תּוֹרָה

<b>Transliteration</b>	<b>Pronunciation</b>
towrah	tō·rā' (Key) 
<b>Part of Speech</b>	<b>Root Word (Etymology)</b>
feminine noun	From יָרָה (H3384)

**Dictionary Aids**

**TWOT Reference:** 910d

**KJV Translation Count — Total:** 219x

The KJV translates Strong's H8451 in the following manner: law (219x).

**Outline of Biblical Usage [?]**

- I. law, direction, instruction
  - A. instruction, direction (human or divine)
    - i. body of prophetic teaching
    - ii. instruction in Messianic age
    - iii. body of priestly direction or instruction
    - iv. body of legal directives
  - B. law



# Verse 98: Commandments

Lexicon :: Strong's H4687 - *mitsvah* Aa

**מִצְוָה**

<b>Transliteration</b>	<b>Pronunciation</b>
<i>mitsvah</i>	mits-vä' (Key) <span style="float: right;">🔊</span>
<b>Part of Speech</b>	<b>Root Word (Etymology)</b>
feminine noun	From <b>צוה</b> (H6680)

**Dictionary Aids**

**TWOT Reference:** 1887b

**KJV Translation Count — Total: 181x**

The KJV translates Strong's H4687 in the following manner:  
commandments (177x), precept (4x), commanded (2x), law (1x), ordinances (1x).

**Outline of Biblical Usage [?]**

- I. commandment
  - A. commandment (of man)
  - B. the commandment (of God)
  - C. commandment (of code of wisdom)


**Strong's Definitions [?]** (Strong's Definitions Legend)

**מִצְוָה** *mitsvâh*, mits-vaw'; from H6680; a command, whether human or divine

# Verse 99: Testimonies

Lexicon :: Strong's H5715 - 'eduwth Aa

**עֲדוּת**

<b>Transliteration</b>	<b>Pronunciation</b>
'eduwth	ā-dūth' (Key) 
<b>Part of Speech</b>	<b>Root Word (Etymology)</b>
feminine noun	From עֵד (H5707)

**Dictionary Aids**

**TWOT Reference:** 1576f

**KJV Translation Count — Total: 59x**

The KJV translates Strong's H5715 in the following manner: testimony (55x), witness (4x).

**Outline of Biblical Usage [?]**

I. testimony

**Strong's Definitions [?]** (Strong's Definitions Legend)

עֲדוּת 'ēdūwth, ay-dooth'; feminine of H5707; testimony:—testimony, witness.

**Gesenius' Hebrew-Chaldee Lexicon [?]**

עֲדוּת f — (1) i. a. עדת No. 2. a present (of God).



# Verse 100: Precepts

Lexicon :: Strong's H6490 - *piqqwd* Aa

**פְּקוּדִים**

<b>Transliteration</b>	<b>Pronunciation</b>
<i>piqqwd</i>	pik·kūd' (Key) <span style="float: right;">🔊</span>
<b>Part of Speech</b>	<b>Root Word (Etymology)</b>
masculine noun	From פָּקַד (H6485)

**Dictionary Aids**

**TWOT Reference:** 1802e

**KJV Translation Count — Total: 24x**

The KJV translates Strong's H6490 in the following manner: precept (21x), commandment (2x), statute (1x).

**Outline of Biblical Usage [?]**

I. precept, statute

**Strong's Definitions [?]** (Strong's Definitions Legend)

פְּקוּדָה *piqqûwd*, pik-kood'; or פְּקֻדָּה *piqqud*; from H6485; properly, appointed, i.e. a mandate (of God; plural only, collectively, for the Law):—commandment, precept, statute.

# Verse 101: Word

Lexicon :: Strong's H1697 - *dabar* Aa

**דָּבָר**

<b>Transliteration</b>	<b>Pronunciation</b>
<i>dabar</i>	dā·vā' (Key) <span style="float: right;">🔊</span>
<b>Part of Speech</b>	<b>Root Word (Etymology)</b>
masculine noun	From דָּבַר (H1696)

**Dictionary Aids**

**TWOT Reference:** 399a

**KJV Translation Count — Total: 1,439x**

**The KJV translates Strong's H1697 in the following manner:** word (807x), thing (231x), matter (63x), acts (51x), chronicles (38x), saying (25x), commandment (20x), *miscellaneous* (204x).

**Outline of Biblical Usage [?]**

- I. speech, word, speaking, thing
  - A. speech
  - B. saying, utterance
  - C. word, words
  - D. business, occupation, acts, matter, case, something, manner (by extension)



# Verse 102: Judgments

Lexicon :: Strong's H4941 - *mishpat* Aa

**מִשְׁפָּט**

<b>Transliteration</b>	<b>Pronunciation</b>
<i>mishpat</i>	mish·pät' (Key) <span style="float: right;">🔊</span>
<b>Part of Speech</b>	<b>Root Word (Etymology)</b>
masculine noun	From <b>שָׁפַט</b> (H8199)

**Dictionary Aids**

**TWOT Reference:** 2443c

**KJV Translation Count — Total: 421x**

**The KJV translates Strong's H4941 in the following manner:** judgment (296x), manner (38x), right (18x), cause (12x), ordinance (11x), lawful (7x), order (5x), worthy (3x), fashion (3x), custom (2x), discretion (2x), law (2x), measure (2x), sentence (2x), *miscellaneous* (18x).

**Outline of Biblical Usage [?]**

- I. judgment, justice, ordinance
  - A. judgment
    - i. act of deciding a case
    - ii. place, court, seat of judgment
    - iii. process, procedure, litigation (before judges)

# Verse 103: Words

Lexicon :: Strong's H565 - 'imrah

Aa

אִמְרָה

Transliteration	Pronunciation
'imrah	im·rā' (Key) 
Part of Speech	Root Word (Etymology)
feminine noun	From אָמַר (H561)

Dictionary Aids

TWOT Reference: 118b

KJV Translation Count — Total: 37x

The KJV translates Strong's H565 in the following manner: word (29x), speech (7x), commandment (1x).

Outline of Biblical Usage [?]

I. utterance, speech, word

A. word of God, the Torah

Strong's Definitions [?]

(Strong's Definitions Legend)

אִמְרָה 'imrāh, im-row'; or אִמְרָה 'emrāh; feminine of H561, and meaning the same:—commandment, speech, word.



# Verse 104: Precepts

**Lexicon :: Strong's H6490 - *piqqûd***Aa

## פְּקוּדִים

<b>Transliteration</b>	<b>Pronunciation</b>
<i>piqqûd</i>	pik-kûd' (Key) 
<b>Part of Speech</b>	<b>Root Word (Etymology)</b>
masculine noun	From פָּקַד (H6485)

**Dictionary Aids**

**TWOT Reference:** 1802e

**KJV Translation Count — Total: 24x**

The KJV translates Strong's H6490 in the following manner: precept (21x), commandment (2x), statute (1x).

**Outline of Biblical Usage [?]**

*I.* precept, statute

**Strong's Definitions [?]**(Strong's Definitions Legend)

פְּקוּדִים *piqqûwd*, pik-kood'; or פָּקַד *piqqud*; from H6485; properly, appointed, i.e. a mandate (of God; plural only, collectively, for the Law):—commandment, precept, statute.



# Patterns





## Psalm 1:3 KJV

○ And he shall be like a tree  
planted by the rivers of water,  
that bringeth forth his fruit in his  
season; his leaf also shall not  
wither; and whatsoever he  
doeth shall prosper.



## Psalm 1:3 HCSB

○ He is like a tree planted beside streams of water that bears its fruit in season and whose leaf does not wither. Whatever he does prospers





## Psalm 1:2 KJV

○ But his delight is in the law of the Lord; and in his law doth he meditate day and night.





## Psalm 1:2 HCBS

◊ Instead, his delight is in the Lord's instruction, and he meditates on it day and night.



## Proverbs 1:5-6 HCSB

○ a wise man will listen and increase his learning, and a discerning man will obtain guidance—for understanding a proverb or a parable, the words of the wise, and their riddles





## Proverbs 1:20-21 HCSB

○ Wisdom calls out in the street;  
she raises her voice in the  
public squares. She cries out  
above the commotion; she  
speaks at the entrance of the  
city gates:





## Proverbs 1:23 HCSB

○ If you respond to my warning, then I will pour out my spirit on you and teach you my words.



## Proverbs 1:7 HCBS

○ The fear of the Lord is the beginning of knowledge; fools despise wisdom and discipline





## Psalm 119:105

○ Your word is a lamp  
for my feet and a light  
on my path.





# Joshua 1:8 KJV

- This book of the law shall not depart out of thy mouth; but thou shalt meditate therein day and night, that thou mayest observe to do according to all that is written therein: for then thou shalt make thy way prosperous, and then thou shalt have good success.



## Joshua 1:8 NLT

◊ Study this Book of Instruction continually. Meditate on it day and night so you will be sure to obey everything written in it. Only then will you prosper and succeed in all you do.





# Deuteronomy 28:11 NLT

○ The Lord will give you prosperity in the land he swore to your ancestors to give you, blessing you with many children, numerous livestock, and abundant crops.





# Deuteronomy 28:12 NLT

○ The Lord will send rain at the proper time from his rich treasury in the heavens and will bless all the work you do. You will lend to many nations, but you will never need to borrow from them.



# Deuteronomy 28:13 NLT

○ If you listen to these commands of the Lord your God that I am giving you today, and if you carefully obey them, the Lord will make you the head and not the tail, and you will always be on top and never at the bottom





PEOPLE

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# Solomon: 1 Kings 4:29-34

- God gave Solomon very great wisdom and understanding, and knowledge as vast as the sands of the seashore. 30 In fact, his wisdom exceeded that of all the wise men of the East and the wise men of Egypt. 31 He was wiser than anyone else, including Ethan the Ezrahite and the sons of Mahol—Heman, Calcol, and Darda. His fame spread throughout all the surrounding nations. 32 He composed some 3,000 proverbs and wrote 1,005 songs. 33 He could speak with authority about all kinds of plants, from the great cedar of Lebanon to the tiny hyssop that grows from cracks in a wall. He could also speak about animals, birds, small creatures, and fish. 34 And kings from every nation sent their ambassadors to listen to the wisdom of Solomon.



# Solomon: 1 Kings 2:1-4

- As the time of King David's death approached, he gave this charge to his son Solomon: "I am going where everyone on earth must someday go. Take courage and be a man. 3 **Observe the requirements** of the Lord your God, and follow all his ways. **Keep the decrees, commands, regulations, and laws written in the Law of Moses** so that you will be successful in all you do and wherever you go. 4 If you do this, then the Lord will keep the promise he made to me. He told me, 'If your descendants live as they should and follow me faithfully with all their heart and soul, one of them will always sit on the throne of Israel.'





# Daniel: Daniel 1:17 & 20

- God gave these four young men an unusual aptitude for understanding every aspect of literature and wisdom. And God gave Daniel the special ability to interpret the meanings of visions and dreams.
- Whenever the king consulted them in any matter requiring wisdom and balanced judgment, he found them ten times more capable than any of the magicians and enchanters in his entire kingdom.



# Daniel: Daniel 1:3-4

- Then the King Nebuchadnezzar ordered Ashpenaz, his chief of staff, to bring to the palace some of the young men of **Judah's royal family and other noble families**, who had been brought to Babylon as captives. 4 "Select only strong, healthy, and good-looking young men," he said. "Make sure they are **well versed in every branch of learning, are gifted with knowledge and good judgment**, and are suited to serve in the royal palace.





# Daniel: Daniel 1:8-10

- But **Daniel was determined not to defile himself by eating the food and wine** given to them by the king. He asked the chief of staff for permission not to eat these unacceptable foods. 9 Now God had given the chief of staff both respect and affection for Daniel. 10 But he responded, “I am afraid of my lord the king, who has ordered that you eat this food and wine. If you become pale and thin compared to the other youths your age, I am afraid the king will have me beheaded.”



# Daniel: Daniel 1:11-14

- 11 Daniel spoke with the attendant who had been appointed by the chief of staff to look after Daniel, Hananiah, Mishael, and Azariah. 12 “Please test us for ten days on a diet of vegetables and water,” Daniel said. 13 “At the end of the ten days, see how we look compared to the other young men who are eating the king’s food. Then make your decision in light of what you see.” 14 The attendant agreed to Daniel’s suggestion and tested them for ten days.





# Daniel: Daniel 1:15-16

- 15 At the end of the ten days, Daniel and his three friends looked healthier and better nourished than the young men who had been eating the food assigned by the king. 16 So after that, the attendant fed them only vegetables instead of the food and wine provided for the others.



# The Wise Men: Matthew 2:1-2

- Jesus was born in Bethlehem in Judea, during the reign of King Herod. About that time some **wise men from eastern lands** arrived in Jerusalem, asking, 2 “Where is the newborn **king of the Jews?** **We saw his star** as it rose, and we have come to worship him.”





# The Wise Men: Matthew 2:12

- ◊ When it was time to leave, they returned to their own country by another route, for **God had warned them in a dream** not to return to Herod.



# The Wise Men

- Because of Daniel's high position and great respect among the magi, it seems certain that the magi learned much from that prophet about the one true God, the God of Israel, and about His will and plans for His people through the coming glorious King. Because many Jews remained in Babylon after the Exile and intermarried with the people of the east, it is likely that Jewish messianic influence remained strong in that region even until New Testament times.





# The Wise Men

- It may also be that, like Abraham, the magi came from ancient Ur in Chaldea. The name magi soon came to be associated solely with the hereditary priesthood within that tribe. The magi became skilled in astronomy and astrology (which, in that day, were closely associated) and had a sacrificial system that somewhat resembled the one God gave to Israel through Moses. They were involved in various occult practices, including sorcery, and were especially noted for their ability to interpret dreams. It is from their name that our words magic and magician are derived



# The Wise Men: Genesis 15:5 KJV

- And he brought him forth abroad, and said, Look now toward heaven, and tell the stars, if thou be able to number them: and he said unto him, So shall thy seed be.





# Face to Face Communication

Jesus is Non Verbal Communication to us!

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# **The Original Text Message**





# Jesus is the Word in a body

- John 1:1: In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God.
- John 1:14: And the Word was made flesh, and dwelt among us, (and we beheld his glory, the glory as of the only begotten of the Father,) full of grace and truth.



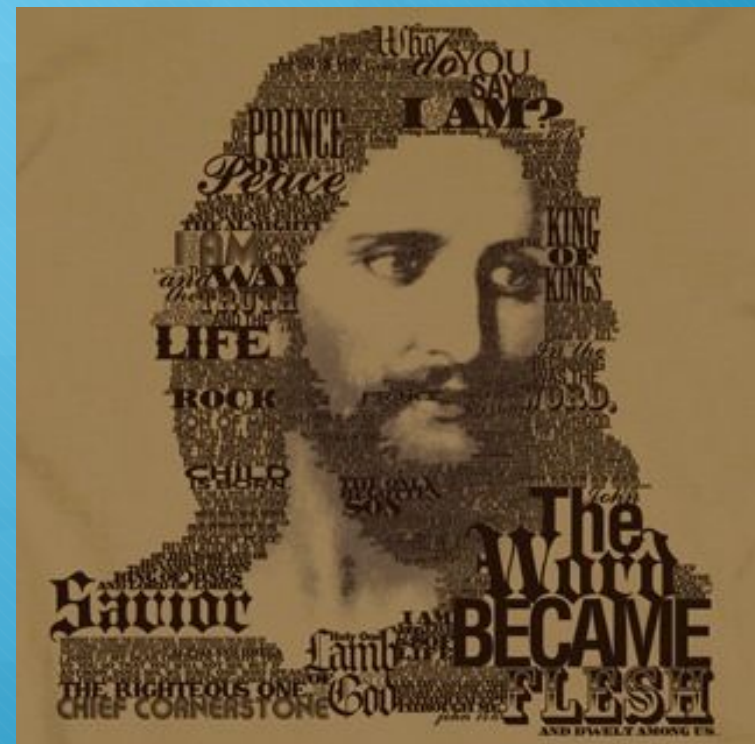
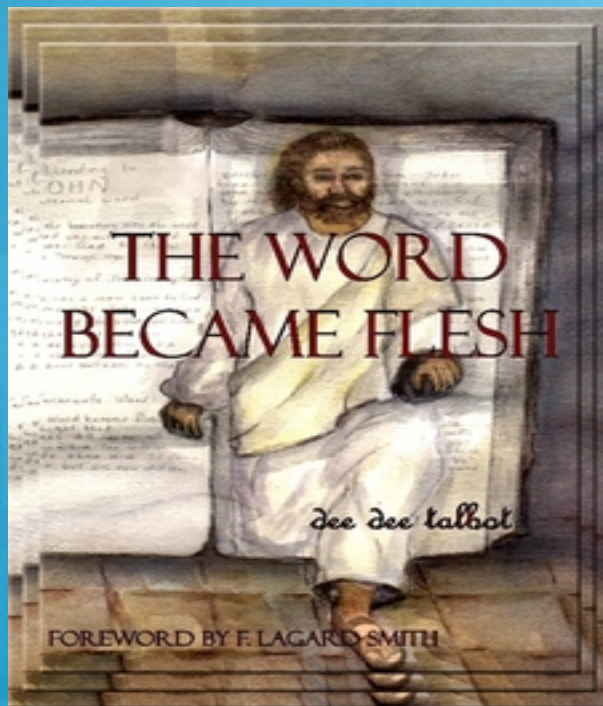
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AND MADE HIS DWELLING  
AMONG US."

JOHN 1:14

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# The Word Made Flesh





Jesus = The Word

The Word = Jesus





You are a reflection of the  
5 people that you spend  
the most time with or that  
are closest to you.



## Acts 4:7-8 KJV

○ And when they had set them in the midst, they asked, By what power, or by what name, have ye done this? Then Peter, filled with the Holy Ghost, said unto them, Ye rulers of the people, and elders of Israel,





# Acts 4:9-12 KJV

- If we this day be examined of the good deed done to the impotent man, by what means he is made whole; Be it known unto you all, and to all the people of Israel, that by the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, whom ye crucified, whom God raised from the dead, even by him doth this man stand here before you whole. This is the stone which was set at nought of you builders, which is become the head of the corner. Neither is there salvation in any other: for there is none other name under heaven given among men, whereby we must be saved.



## Acts 4:13-14 KJV

- Now when they saw the boldness of Peter and John, and perceived that they were unlearned and ignorant men, they marvelled; and they took knowledge of them, that they had been with Jesus. And beholding the man which was healed standing with them, they could say nothing against it.





## Acts 4:7-8 NLT

- They brought in the two disciples and demanded, “By what power, or in whose name, have you done this?” Then Peter, filled with the Holy Spirit, said to them, “Rulers and elders of our people, are we being questioned today because we’ve done a good deed for a crippled man? Do you want to know how he was healed?”



# Acts 4:9-12 NLT

- Let me clearly state to all of you and to all the people of Israel that he was healed by the powerful name of Jesus Christ the Nazarene,[a] the man you crucified but whom God raised from the dead. 11 For Jesus is the one referred to in the Scriptures, where it says, 'The stone that you builders rejected has now become the cornerstone.' There is salvation in no one else! God has given no other name under heaven by which we must be saved."





# Acts 4:13-14 NLT

- The members of the council were amazed when they saw the boldness of Peter and John, for they could see that they were ordinary men with no special training in the Scriptures. They also recognized them as men who had been with Jesus. But since they could see the man who had been healed standing right there among them, there was nothing the council could say.



It Gets Even Better!





# The Teacher: Matthew

## 10:19-20

- ◊ When you are arrested, don't worry about how to respond or what to say. God will give you the right words at the right time. 20 For it is not you who will be speaking—it will be the Spirit of your Father speaking through you.



# The Teacher: Mark 13:11

- But when you are arrested and stand trial, don't worry in advance about what to say. Just say what God tells you at that time, for it is not you who will be speaking, but the Holy Spirit.





# The Teacher: Luke

## 12:11-12

- And when you are brought to trial in the synagogues and before rulers and authorities, don't worry about how to defend yourself or what to say, 12 for the Holy Spirit will teach you at that time what needs to be said."



# The Teacher: John 14:26

- But when the Father sends the Advocate as my representative—that is, the Holy Spirit—he will teach you everything and will remind you of everything I have told you.





# The Teacher: John 16:13

- When the Spirit of truth comes, he will guide you into all truth. He will not speak on his own but will tell you what he has heard. He will tell you about the future



# The Teacher: 1 John 2:27

- But you have received the Holy Spirit,[a] and he lives within you, so you don't need anyone to teach you what is true. For the Spirit[b] teaches you everything you need to know, and what he teaches is true—it is not a lie. So just as he has taught you, remain in fellowship with Christ.





# The Teacher: Nehemiah

## 9:20

- You sent your good Spirit to instruct them, and you did not stop giving them manna from heaven or water for their thirst.

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How to Get Smart(er)?

Hang out with Jesus!