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Gold

Your word is more precious to me than gold. Your word is sweeter to me than honey. I can say that with great conviction. I can believe this without a doubt. **Why do you have such strong belief and solid conviction about the value of my word?** That is a very good question. Let me first say why gold and any other material possession is of no real and lasting value to me. I am passing through this life. I brought no material possessions into this life and I will take no material possessions out of this life. What I or anyone else thinks they own is theirs to enjoy for a very, very short time. One might say that I or anyone else is like a short-term renter of the material things of this life. No material possession holds any long term or eternal value. **That is true.** The wealth and material possessions of life can also do me great harm. **How so?** If I allow my life to be all about pursuing material possessions, I will miss what is of lasting and eternal value. I will chase after what is not important. I will live for what will not last. **What is of eternal of value?** Knowing and loving and following and serving you is of eternal value. Your word is of eternal value. **How is my word of eternal value?** Your word helps me to come to know and to love and to follow and serve you. Your word revives me. Your word makes me wise. Your word makes me radiant and gives me joy. Your word guards and guides me through life. Your word molds and shapes me. Your word strengthens and sustains me. I will become the person you have called me to be as I take your word deep into my heart and mind and life. **Yes, you will.** Beyond of all these things, your word will make me able to bear fruit for your kingdom and bring glory to your name. **Yes, it will.** As I bear fruit for your kingdom, I will be storing up treasure in heaven with you. For all of these reasons I can confidently say that your word is more precious, desirable or valuable than gold. **Yes, you can.** Keep on meeting with me in my word. **Yes, I will.**

Lord, use your word to do your work in my life. Revive me by your word. Make me wise by your word. Make me radiant with joy by your word. Guide my life by your word. Help me to know the warnings, value, sweetness and reward of keeping all your word. Amen

Becoming Like Christ *More Precious Than Gold*

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NIV

Psalms 19:7-11

Becoming Like Christ *More Desirable Than Gold*

The instructions of the LORD are perfect, reviving the soul. The decrees of the LORD are trustworthy, making wise the simple. The commandments of the LORD are right, bringing joy to the heart. The commands of the LORD are clear, giving insight for living. Reverence for the LORD is pure, lasting forever. The laws of the LORD are true; each one is fair. They are more desirable than gold, even the finest gold. They are sweeter than honey, even honey dripping from the comb. They are a warning to your servant, a great reward for those who obey them.

NLT

Psalms 19:7-11

Becoming Like Christ *More To Be Desired Are They Than Gold*

The law of the LORD is perfect, reviving the soul; the decrees of the LORD are sure, making wise the simple; the precepts of the LORD are right, rejoicing the heart; the commandment of the LORD is clear, enlightening the eyes; the fear of the LORD is pure, enduring forever; the ordinances of the LORD are true and righteous altogether. More to be desired are they than gold, even much fine gold; sweeter also than honey, and drippings of the honeycomb. Moreover by them is your servant warned; in keeping them there is great reward.

NRSV

Psalms 19:7-11

Becoming Like Christ *More To Be Desired Are They Than Gold*

The law of the Lord is perfect, restoring the [whole] person; the testimony of the Lord is sure, making wise the simple. The precepts of the Lord are right, rejoicing the heart; the commandment of the Lord is pure and bright, enlightening the eyes. The [reverent] fear of the Lord is clean, enduring forever; the ordinances of the Lord are true and righteous altogether. More to be desired are they than gold, even than much fine gold; they are sweeter also than honey and drippings from the honeycomb. Moreover, by them is Your servant warned (reminded, illuminated, and instructed); and in keeping them there is great reward.

AMP

Psalms 19:7-11

Becoming Like Christ *More Desirable Than Gold*

The law of the LORD is perfect, restoring the soul; The testimony of the LORD is sure, making wise the simple. The precepts of the LORD are right, rejoicing the heart; The commandment of the LORD is pure, enlightening the eyes. The fear of the LORD is clean, enduring forever; The judgments of the LORD are true; they are righteous altogether. They are more desirable than gold, yes, than much fine gold; Sweeter also than honey and the drippings of the honeycomb. Moreover, by them Your servant is warned; In keeping them there is great reward.

NASB

Psalms 19:7-11

Becoming Like Christ *More To Be Desired Are They Gold*

The law of the LORD is perfect, reviving the soul; the testimony of the LORD is sure, making wise the simple; the precepts of the LORD are right, rejoicing the heart; the commandment of the LORD is pure, enlightening the eyes; the fear of the LORD is clean, enduring forever; the rules of the LORD are true, and righteous altogether. More to be desired are they than gold, even much fine gold; sweeter also than honey and drippings of the honeycomb. Moreover, by them is your servant warned; in keeping them there is great reward.

ESV

Psalms 19:7-11

Becoming Like Christ *More To Be Desired Are They Than Gold*

The law of the LORD *is* perfect, converting the soul; The testimony of the LORD *is* sure, making wise the simple; The statutes of the LORD *are* right, rejoicing the heart; The commandment of the LORD *is* pure, enlightening the eyes; The fear of the LORD *is* clean, enduring forever; The judgments of the LORD *are* true *and* righteous altogether. More to be desired *are they* than gold, Yea, than much fine gold; Sweeter also than honey and the honeycomb. Moreover by them Your servant is warned, *And* in keeping them *there is* great reward.

NKJV

Psalms 19:7-11

Becoming Like Christ *Better Than Diamond*

The revelation of GOD is whole and pulls our lives together. The signposts of GOD are clear and point out the right road. The life-maps of GOD are right, showing the way to joy. The directions of GOD are plain and easy on the eyes. GOD's reputation is twenty-four-carat gold, with a lifetime guarantee. The decisions of GOD are accurate down to the nth degree. God's Word is better than a diamond, better than a diamond set between emeralds. You'll like it better than strawberries in spring, better than red, ripe strawberries. There's more: God's Word warns us of danger and directs us to hidden treasure.

MSG

Psalms 19:7-11

Becoming Like Christ *More Desirable Than Gold*

God's laws are perfect. They protect us, make us wise, and give us joy and light. God's laws are pure, eternal, just. They are more desirable than gold. They are sweeter than honey dripping from a honeycomb. For they warn us away from harm and give success to those who obey them.

TLB

Psalms 19:7-11

Becoming Like Christ *Worth More Than Gold*

The teachings of the LORD are perfect; they give new strength. The rules of the LORD can be trusted; they make plain people wise. The orders of the LORD are right; they make people happy. The commands of the LORD are pure; they light up the way. Respect for the LORD is good; it will last forever. The judgments of the LORD are true; they are completely right. They are worth more than gold, even the purest gold. They are sweeter than honey, even the finest honey. By them your servant is warned. Keeping them brings great reward.

NCV

Psalms 19:7-11

More Precious Than Gold

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Becoming Like Christ – Psalm 19:7-11

In Context: Read Psalm 19

Begin With Prayer:

Here I am Lord. I Am Listening.

Meditating On God's Word: ***(What is God speaking to your heart?)***

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Considering The Words: ***(What words speak to your heart?)***

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Praying The Scripture: ***(What prayer from your heart will you write?)***

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What It Means: ***(What questions speak to your heart?)*** *(Suggested questions for small group discussion are in bold)*

When has God's word been perfect and able to revive your soul?

When have you found God's word trustworthy and able to make you wise?

When God's word been right and brought joy to your heart?

When has the radiance of God's word given light to your eyes?

Why is God's word more precious to you than gold?

How has God's word provided warning and guarded your life?

What reward have you found in keeping God's word?

Living It Out: ***(What action step is God guiding your heart to take?)***

Allow God to use His word in your life by taking it deep into your heart and mind.

Seeing It Happen: ***(What are you trusting God for in your heart?)***

Have faith that God will use His word to do His work in your life.

Get Ready To Share: ***(What can you share with others from your heart?)***

Share with another person or your small group how you are allowing God's word to work in your life.

Close With Prayer:

Quiet Yourself Before The Lord

Pause And Offer Prayers Of...

With An Attitude Of Faith Listen To What The Lord Wants To Say To You

Adoration... _____

Thanksgiving... _____

Confession... _____

Intercession... _____

Petition... _____

Journal

As You Quiet Yourself Before The Lord

What Do You Want To Say To Me Lord?

What Prayers Are You Praying Today?

Prayer Of Blessing

(What Prayer Of Blessing Can You Pray For Another?)

May you allow God to use His word to do His work in your life.

Prayer To Carry

(What Prayer Would You Like To Carry Throughout Your Day?)

Lord, I will allow you to use your word to do your work in my life.

What Do You Want To Remember About Today?

A Question To Ask God

(What Would You Like To Ask God?)

Lord, how do you want to use your word to do your work in my life?
