

**THE MASTERCRAFT:**

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## TEXT Psalm 119:105

### EXPOSITION & COMMENTARY

**Verse 105.** “Your word is a lamp to my feet and a light for my path.

1. We are walkers through the city of this world, and we sometimes have to go out into its darkness and deepest places; let us never venture there without the light giving word, otherwise we slip with our feet. **Each person should use the word of God personally, practically, and habitually, to be able to see the way and what lies in it.”**

**David said** “A man should look upon the word as written to himself, as a lamp and a light for him. ” **This mindset helped shape David’s connection with the word of God.**

## 2. Matthew Henry's commentary says:

By the nature of the word of God, and the great intention of giving it to the world, it is a *lamp and a light*.

- It discovers to us, concerning God and ourselves, that which otherwise we could not have known;
- It shows us what is amiss, and will be dangerous;
- It directs us in our work and way

## Matthew's clarifications aligns with the what the Jesus says in John 8:12:

“Whoever follows Me will never walk in darkness, but will have the light of life.”

**Brethren**, why would anyone ever choose not to follow God but work in darkness?

**Not working with God means working with the devil (who leads the darkness).**

**Ephesians 2:2** “You followed the sinful ways of the world and obeyed the leader of the power of darkness. He is the devil who is now working in the people who do not obey God.” So there are 2 groups of people: Those who follow God and those who follow devil.

3. Matthew Henry Commentary says:

“The word of God is to direct us in the right ordering of our conversation, both in the choice of our way in general and in the particular steps we take in that way.”

Psalm 37:23-24 “**23**The steps of a man are ordered by the LORD, and He delights in his way. **24**Though he falls, he will not be overwhelmed, for the LORD is holding his hand.”

**Psalm 25:12** “Who is the man who fears the LORD? He will instruct him in the way he should choose.”

**David shared his experience and view about the word of God:**

**Psalm 40:2:** He lifted me up from the pit of destruction, out of the miry clay; He set my feet upon a rock, and made my footsteps firm.

**Psalm 41:11:** By this I know You delight in me, for my enemy does not triumph over me.

**Psalm 66:9:** He preserves our lives and keeps our feet from slipping.

4. In old time each passenger carried a lantern with him that he might not fall into the open sewer, or stumble over the heaps of ordure which defiled the road. This is a true picture of our path through this dark world: we should not know the way, or how to walk in it, if Scripture, like a blazing flambeau, did not reveal it. One of the most practical benefits of Holy word is guidance in the acts of daily life: The word is not sent to astound us with its brilliance, but to guide us by its instruction. **Rather than carry the physical lamp, the word of God is now our lamp and our light.**

**In Exodus 13:21-22, when God led the children of Israel out of Egypt,**  
**21**the LORD went before them in a pillar of cloud to guide their way by day, and in a pillar of fire to give them light at night, so that they could travel by day or night.  
**22**Neither the pillar of cloud by day nor the pillar of fire by night left its place before the people.

5. It is a lamp by night, a light by day. Ignorance is painful; it breeds indecision and suspense, and these are uncomfortable: the word of God, by imparting heavenly knowledge, leads to decision, and when that is followed by determined resolution to obey, it brings with it great peace of heart.

## **CONCLUSION**

**We must continuously reflect on how god's** word is A lamp to my feet and A light for my path.

The word of God shall not depart out of your mouth; but you shall meditate on it day and night, that you may observe to do according to all that is written in it: for then you shall make your way prosperous, and then you shall have good success.