

Volume 2 Books of Poetry Job 23:11 – 12

"My foot has held fast to His steps; I have kept His way and not turned aside. I have not departed from the commandment of His lips; I have treasured the word of His mouth more than my necessary food." Job 23:11-12

What is more necessary to life than food? "It is written, man shall not live by bread alone, but by every word that proceeds out of the mouth of God." (Matthew 4:4). The very word of God sustained Moses. First, it was for forty days upon the Mount of the Law, and that forty days became eighty days as Moses received the commandments of Yahweh twice over!

As natural foods sustain and nourish the human body – a body that will eventually pass away, so the Word that issues from the Lord's mouth continually infuses spiritual life and strength to the inner man and these benefits pour over into the natural realm as well. "It is the Spirit that gives life; the flesh profits nothing, the words that I speak to you, they are spirit and they are life." (John 6:63)

We can expect the same words that created all things – spiritual and natural – to uphold and offer strength to our mortal bodies! "He sent His Word and healed them, and delivered them from their destructions." (Psalm 107:20).

God's answer to all of life's difficulties and challenges rests in the Word alone; empowered and brought to life by the Holy Spirit. The question remains to be answered; do you treasure God's Word? And if so, how much do you treasure it? Do you treasure it more than your necessary food?

Selah!

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