

# Psalms 119:93

Authorized King James Version (KJV)

I will never forget thy precepts: for with them thou hast quickened me.

## Analysis

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**I will never forget thy precepts** (לעוֹלָם לֹא-אָשַׁכְחַ פְּקֻדִּיךְ) le'olam lo-eshkach pikkudekha)—An oath of perpetual remembrance. Le'olam (forever, eternally) paired with the emphatic negative lo creates the strongest possible vow. Pikkud (precept, statute) refers to God's appointed ordinances. **For with them thou hast quickened me** (כִּי בְּמִצְרָאָתֶיךָ ki vam chiyyitani)—The causative verb chayah (to make alive, revive, quicken) explains the vow's motivation.

This is resurrection language. Ezekiel 37's dry bones were "quickened" by God's word; Ephesians 2:5 says believers were "quickened together with Christ." The psalmist experiences Scripture as life-giving power, not dead letter (2 Corinthians 3:6). Memory of God's precepts becomes spiritual CPR, reviving the fainting soul.

## Historical Context

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In oral cultures, memory was survival. Israel was commanded to teach Torah "when thou sittest in thine house, and when thou walkest by the way" (Deuteronomy 6:7). Memorization ensured God's Word remained accessible when scrolls were scarce or destroyed—critical during persecution.

## Related Passages

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**1 Corinthians 13:4** — Characteristics of love

**John 15:13** — Greatest form of love

**Genesis 1:1** — Creation of heavens and earth

**Psalm 19:1** — Heavens declare God's glory

## Study Questions

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1. What practices help you "never forget" God's precepts in a distracted age?
2. Have you experienced Scripture as spiritually "quicken"ing? What passages revived you?

## Interlinear Text

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for with them thou hast quickened

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## Additional Cross-References

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**Psalms 119:16** (Parallel theme): I will delight myself in thy statutes: I will not forget thy word.

**Psalms 119:50** (Parallel theme): This is my comfort in my affliction: for thy word hath quickened me.

**John 6:63** (Parallel theme): It is the spirit that quickeneth; the flesh profiteth nothing: the words that I speak unto you, they are spirit, and they are life.

**1 Peter 1:23** (Parallel theme): Being born again, not of corruptible seed, but of incorruptible, by the word of God, which liveth and abideth for ever.