

# Psalms 119:93

Authorized King James Version (KJV)

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

## Analysis

**I will never forget thy precepts** (לֹא־אֶשְׁכַּח פְּקֻדֹתֶיךָ 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 בָם חַיֵּיתָנִי 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 "quicken" by God's word; Ephesians 2:5 says believers were "quicken 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

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

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

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

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

**Psalms 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 "quickenings"? What passages revived you?

## Interlinear Text

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לְ עוֹלָם    לֹא    אֶשְׁכַּח    פְּקוּדֵי יְיָ    כִּי    מִן    כִּי  
**I will never**    H3808    **forget**    **thy precepts**    H3588    H0  
H5769    H7911    H6490

חֲיִיתָנִי:

**for with them thou hast quickened**  
H2421

## 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.