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Psalm 119:9-16
Staying on the Path of Purity

Introduction: *Life is a journey!*

How did they get there?

The law of the harvest.

Psalm 119

An acrostic poem

A testament to the Word of God

Verse 9 – How can a young person stay on the path of purity?

How can a young person clean up their path?

By living according to your word.

Verse 10 – I seek you with my whole heart; do not let me stray from your commands

Verse 11 – I have hidden your word in my heart, that I might not sin against you.

Verse 12 – Praise be to you, LORD; teach me your decrees.

Verse 13 – With my lips I recount all the laws that come from your mouth.

Verse 14 – I rejoice in following your statutes as one rejoices in great riches.

Verse 15 – I meditate on your precepts and consider your ways.

Verse 16 – I delight in your decrees; I will not neglect your word.

Questions for Group Discussion

1. How do the facts that life is a journey and that every decision or action is a step in a direction on that journey change how you view what you decide or what you do?
2. Why is it important to remain on the path of purity? Why is it important for young people? Why is it important for those who are not necessarily young?
3. Why is reading God's Word so important to life?
4. When was the last time you memorized a Bible verse? Do you think you still can? Why or why not?
5. Why did Jesus quote Scripture when he was tempted (cf. Matthew 4)?
6. Why do you think the psalmist rejoiced so much in obeying God's commands? Why don't we rejoice in obeying God?
7. Why is it important to think about God's Word throughout the day?
8. What changes are you going to make because of these truths?