

The Greatest Lack in the Christian World Today

Most Christians are rather familiar with 119 th Psalm. They have quoted many of its verses from time to time. One must ask, however, just how deeply the meaning of these verses have ever sunk into their consciousness. Verse 13. I hate vain thoughts. Thy law do I love. Another verse. Thy law is more-my meditation day and night. We are immediately reminded of Psalm one. The man who is blssed of the Lord, we are told in verse 2. His delight is in the law of Lord, and his law doeth mediate day and night. I feel that to the bulk of Christians the Bible is something they put on the shelf and say that it is indeed wonderful. It is true word of God. They know a few of its great teachings, and they get great much pleasure from these. They delight in-the <sup>to</sup> ~~the~~ hear evidences that the Bible is true. They are glad to hear and answer to the attack on the Scripture. But whne when it comes to the great mass of the problems of life, they decide them by some mis mystical experience or by some human means , by means of human thoughts rather than by searching the Scriptures to see what the Bible has to say on these particular problems.

It is true that the Bible is not a manual of physics an or chemistry or geology or even of history. We cannot construct a complete history of Israel from the Bible. For that is not its purpose. Its purpose is to tell about God and man's relationship with God and how human life can be worthwhile.

~~But-when-you-get-into-this-matter-of~~ ~~hm~~ The whole field of psychology and philosophy is actually involved. There may be matters about human psychology that can be learned by observation, but those matters which are most vital for successful and happy life can be learned better/by studying God's Word than in any other way.

~~Those-matters-which-are-most-vital-for~~ It is true that many Christians read passages of the Bible and ~~XXXX~~ fail to see their import, because they have not gone to them with particular questions in mind. We need to take all sorts of questions about our lives and go to the Bible to see whether it gives an answer to them. We may not see the answer <sup>at</sup> first. We must be very careful not to jump