THEME: WHO I AM IN CHRIST

TOPIC: I AM QUICKENED

TEXT: PSALM 119:93-97 KJV; ROMANS 8:11; 2 CORINTHIANS 3:6

I will never forget thy precepts: for with them thou hast quickened me. Psalm 119:93 (KJV).

Quicken means to make alive or revive (to cause to be enlivened). David said "Thy word has quickened me. It made me alive when I was dead in sin; it has many a time made me lively when I was dead in duty; it has quickened me to that which is good when I was backward and averse to it, and it has quickened me in that which is good when I was cold and indifferent.

There is a need for us to understand that the **quickening** of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit is no separate work, there is a oneness of **quickening**, since God Himself **quickens** through the Spirit, for Paul said: "He Who raised up Christ from the dead shall also **quicken** your mortal bodies because of His Spirit Who dwelleth in you." **Romans 8:11**

1. What does quicken your mortal bodies mean (Romans 8:11)?

When he says the Spirit will quicken our mortal bodies, it is talking about imparting the qualities of God's life into the deadness of this mortal body. That includes healing, health, strength, vitality, etc. It lifts up our mortal bodies from the death that reigns on this fallen earth.

2. Restored to a former Flourishing Condition

The word quicken is used in the King James Version of the **Bible**, and it means "revive or make alive." If something is living, it is "quick"; to "quicken" something is to bring it to life or restore it to a former flourishing condition.

Q: Why does our mortal bodies need to be quickened?

3. The Spirit gives life – John 6:63

God has given us His Word and instructions to follow. We recognize, though, that the power is not in print on paper. God's power flows to those who go where the words point and do what the words command.

Q: How is God's word different from any other religious writing?

A quickened word is stored in memory – Matthew 4:4, Romans 10:8

When we feel the quickening power of a precept, we can never forget it. We may read it, learn it, repeat it, and think we have it, yet it can slip out of our minds; but once it has given us life or renewed our life, there is no fear of it slipping from our memory.

We are so blessed God's instructions written on our hearts. That which quickens the heart is sure to quicken the memory. Discuss, is this your reality?

Conclusion

It seems remarkable that David would credit the precepts (Gods Word) with invigorating him, and yet this quickening lies in them and in all the words of the Lord. It is to be noted that when the Lord raised the dead, He spoke to them the word of command.

He said, Lazarus, come forth (John 11:43), or Maid, arise (Luke 8:54). We may preach gospel precepts to spiritually dead sinners, since through Divine truth, the Spirit gives them life. David does not say that the precepts quickened him, but that the Lord quickened him through those precepts.

So, he traces the life from the channel to the source, and he places the glory where it is due. The memory of the Lord's precepts will never depart from him.

Psalm 119:93 Parallel Verses

Psalm 119:93, NIV: "I will never forget your precepts, for by them you have preserved my life."

Psalm 119:93, ESV: "I will never forget your precepts, for by them you have given me life."

Psalm 119:93, NASB: "I will never forget Your precepts, For by them You have revived me."

Psalm 119:93, NLT: "I will never forget your commandments, for by them you give me life."

Psalm 119:93, CSB: "I will never forget your precepts, for you have given me life through them."