

Psalm 119:162

I rejoice at Your word As one who finds great treasure.

This is my life verse, meaning this is the one verse in the bible that directs my every step, my every breath, my every thought. I am addicted and have a love, love relationship with the word of God. I find no better joy in all the world than reading God's word.

Peter said it best when Jesus confronted His disciples with, *Then Jesus said to the twelve, "Do you also want to go away?"* **John 6:67**

I love and live Peter's reply to Jesus.

† **John 6:68** *But Simon Peter answered Him, "Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life."*

Do you love the Lord, but push the word of God aside for other things?

It would be like a woman being engaged to a man, and being so in love with him, but not wanting to hear his voice or pay attention to anything he says.

It reminds me of an old movie that was a comedy titled "How to murder your wife". In this movie, Jack Lemon meets this beautiful blonde bombshell of a woman (Virna Lisi), but when he did, she had laryngitis, which means she couldn't talk. So he falls in love with her and they get married right away. But soon and very soon the honeymoon is over once her laryngitis goes away and she starts to talk, because she just babbles and babbles away nonstop. So, Jack Lemon can't take it anymore and the rest of the movie is how he can kill her without getting caught. (Funny now that I think about it, divorce was not an option back then when this movie was made as it would be today.)

But, spoiler alert... He finally does have the opportunity to murder her, but at that moment he falls back in love with her again and he doesn't do it... and they live happily ever after.

But how many are like Jack Lemon in this movie? They see the beauty of Jesus for all that He has done by dying for them and it's an immediate attraction and they seem to fall heads over heels in love with Him...Until they start reading His word and find out that by having a relationship with Jesus, it also means a change of the lifestyle they have been living. It's like the parable of the sower Jesus told and they are this one person in the parable.

† **Luke 8:13** *But the ones on the rock are those who, when they hear, receive the word with joy; and these have no root, who believe for a while and in time of temptation fall away.*

Simply, don't just fall in love with Jesus because of what He did for you on the cross, but also fall in love with Him because of all He has to say to you in His word.

† **John 1:1** *In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God.*

Be like Peter who said to Jesus, *“You have the words of eternal life.”*