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65 You have dealt well with Your servant,
O Lord, according to Your word.
66 Teach me good discernment and knowledge,
For I believe in Your commandments.
67 Before I was afflicted I went astray,
But now I keep Your word.
68 You are good and do good;
Teach me Your statutes.
69 The arrogant have forged a lie against me;
With all my heart I will observe Your precepts.
70 Their heart is covered with fat,
But I delight in Your law.
71 It is good for me that I was afflicted,
That I may learn Your statutes.
72 The law of Your mouth is better to me
Than thousands of gold and silver pieces.

טוב עָשִׂיתָ עִם־עַבְדְּךָ יְהוָה כְּדַבְּרֶךָ : 65
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🗨️: The believer under God’s Word can appreciate the value of forgiveness & affliction, and the infinite value of God’s Word.

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| <p>1. The Teth is a snake, and the believer who endures angelic conflict will appreciate the grace that sees him through it.</p> <p>2. This strophe contains six references to what is good (ψ¹¹⁹65,66,68,71,72). Tobiah provides us with our proper name word study for this strophe.</p> | <p>3. The Lord’s dealings with believers are always good, and always in conformity to His revealed Word (ψ¹¹⁹65 cf. Ps. 23:6; 145:7,9; Matt. 19:17).</p> <p>4. The believer who is teachable is the believer who trusts in God’s commandments (ψ¹¹⁹66 cf. Ps. 22:9-10; Prov. 2:1-2; Neh. 9:13-17).</p> | <p>5. Prior to angelic conflict affliction, the ψ¹¹⁹ Psalmist was prone to wandering (ψ¹¹⁹67 cf. Prov. 1:32-33).</p> <p>6. Believers who want to “be” good and “do” good should learn directly from the God who is good and does good (ψ¹¹⁹68 cf. Num. 10:29,32; Deut. 6:18-25; Lk. 6:35).</p> <p>7. The ψ¹¹⁹ Psalmist spells out his angelic conflict in the second half of this strope (ψ¹¹⁹69-72).</p> | <p>a. “The arrogant” (זֵד zēd #2086 ψ¹¹⁹21,51,69,78,85,122) smear with forged lies (ψ¹¹⁹69 cf. Job 13:4; Ps. 109:2-3).</p> <p>b. The gross fatness of the arrogant is a reflection of their departure from God’s Word (ψ¹¹⁹70 cf. Deut. 32:15; Ps. 73:7).</p> <p>c. Worked together for good as a means of instruction (ψ¹¹⁹71 cf. Deut. 8:16; Gen. 50:20; Rom. 8:28).</p> <p>d. Victory is priceless (ψ¹¹⁹72 cf. Ps. 19:10-14; Prov. 8:10-11).</p> |
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