

# ***“BLESSED”***

Psalm 119:1aaa

January 2, 2022

**VIDEO:** *“Stormy Perspective – Entebbe, Uganda”*

**INTRO:** What perspective are you bringing into 2022?

## **PRAYER**

### **CONTEXT:**

- New Year...
- New beginnings...
- New challenges...
- New sermon series...
- New “PERSPECTIVES”

**BIG IDEA:** Don't ever underestimate the importance and power of a biblical and missional, passionate perspective in and on life!

***Your perspective is the key to your potential!***

**PREVIEW:** *Get & keep God's Perspective on...*

1. **Praises**
2. **Promises**
3. **People**

**TEXT:**

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## **I. PERSPECTIVE**



*Seeing our world and living through God's Word, will, and ways is the only (narrow) path to true, biblical blessing!*

## II. POETRY

- God's Word is approximately 1/3 poetry...
- The Psalms are predominantly poetry...
- Psalm 119 is 100% poetry...
- We need to understand biblical poetry if we hope to understand our sermon & series...
- Consequently, for the today's message and the entire upcoming series (and your life-long equipping), we will invest our time in learning how to understand apply biblical poetry...

**VIDEO:** *"Understanding Biblical Poetry"* (The Bible Project)

## III. PRAISES/PSALMS

- "Psalms" means "songs" and is Greek...
- The Hebrew name for these inspired writings is "PRAISES"

*The Psalms are God's Tameion for believers.* - JDP

*The Psalms are not just to teach us...  
they are to TOUCH us. -JDP*

**VIDEO:** *“Understanding The Psalms”* (The Bible Project)

**VIDEO:** *“John Piper on Reading the Psalms”*

**VIDEO:** *“Return To Love”*

## IV. PROMISES

- When God blesses us, it’s a gift of grace!
- When God promises a blessing, LISTEN!
- “Blessed” in the Bible is promise fulfilled.
- The Psalms begin with the word: *“Blessed”*
- Psalm 119 begins with the word: *“Blessed”*
- The Sermon on the Mount began: *“Blessed”*

*“Blessed means divinely better!”*

-JDP

**VIDEO:** *“Blessed – by CONTRAST”* (Pastor Jeff’s Beatude sermon)

# V. PEOPLE

- Living and loving with a biblical perspective leads us to BE the BLESSED people of God!
- It is by living and loving, trusting & obeying the very and victorious words of our God that lead us to BE-ing the BLESSED body of Christ!
- When we are biblically believing we are biblically BE-ing blessed!
- It really is this simple... biblical obedience brings biblical blessing.

## REVIEW:

1. May we always maintain God's biblical perspective...
2. Let's feel the facts of God's Holy Word thru the Psalms...
3. Praising God in the Psalms is essential thru the storms...
4. BE-ing blessed by the Lord is gift of mutual, divine love!
5. We get to BE the people of God... that's amazing grace!

## PRAYER

**VIDEO:** *"Faces of Amazing Grace"*

**WORSHIP:** *Speak To The Mountains / God Turn It Around / Hallelujah Even Here*