

*"Thy Words Were Found, And I Did Eat Them; and Thy Word Was unto me the Joy and rejoicing of mine heart: for I am called by Thy Name, O LORD God of Hosts." Jeremiah 15:16 KJV*

When we sit down to eat, our mouth waters at the aroma and sight of the succulence that awaits. I remember the aroma of supper wafting through the house as Mom prepared our evening meal. It made me hungry, because I knew what those smells meant. I had enjoyed their taste and texture before. By mealtime, I was ravenous! I could hardly sit through Dad asking God's blessing on our food "and the hands that prepared it." Though usually less than a minute long, it seemed Dad prayed forever! Mom did not often make dessert, but after supper, if we had been good, Dad would bring out a large tin of Cadbury's Assorted Chocolates. We would each pick in turn and sometimes we would get another piece of the scrumptious chocolate! Our mouths watered at the sight of that big blue tin! Sometimes he took us out for ice cream! You will not want to eat if you've already gorged on something else. If we fill our souls with worldly pleasure, we'll have no desire for God. I hope I've triggered the memory of a past holiday feast and that you are getting a bit hungry. That is precisely the spiritual sensation we need to have about God's Word. The flavors of food gladden our



palate as we chew and swallow and our bodies are satiated with its substance. God's Word should gladden our hearts and satiate our spirits as we read, study, and meditate on it. Like Thanksgiving dinner, we should always be ready for more! If your soul is full of the world, God's Word will never be desirable to you, but if you read, study, and ponder it in faith believing, you will develop an insatiable hunger for its Truth and Joy. You will be at once satisfied and hungering for more. Like your favorite dessert, you'll always want another bite!

O taste and see that God is good!  
Enjoy His Love as children should,  
Allow His Word to fill your soul,  
And Joy across your soul will roll! –CGP

When God's Word becomes more desirable to you than the greatest pleasure you've ever had, you'll never be satisfied with anything less! *"Thy Word Is A Lamp unto my feet."* Would you walk in the dark without a light? Then why go through life without the Illumination of Truth? If you don't eat, you die. If you don't constantly feed your soul with God's Word, it will languish away. In the midst of great mental anguish and physical suffering Job said about God;

*"But He Knoweth the way that I take: when He Hath Tried me, I shall come forth as gold. My foot hath held His Steps, His Way have I kept, and not declined. Neither have I gone back from the Commandment of His Lips; I have esteemed the Words of His Mouth more than my necessary food." Job 23:10-12 KJV*