Embracing God's Commands

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This is Derek Prince with a word for you from the Word.

"Because I love your commands more than gold, more than pure gold, and because I consider all your precepts right, I hate every wrong path." (Psalm 119:127–128 NIV)

What's your attitude towards God's commands? Do you fear them? Do you resent them? Do you try to get away from them? That's a foolish attitude.

Remember, God gave His commands to us not to create problems for us but to solve them, not to harm us but to help us. God's love is in His commands. They are given to save us from ourselves, to save us from evil, to show us the way out of our difficulties and our problems.

The psalmist had learned that - that's why he said to God, "I love your commands more than gold, more than pure gold." What is more precious than gold? Nothing in this created world. But God's commands are infinitely more precious, and the psalmist had learned that. Instead of running from God's commands, resenting them, obeying them reluctantly, he said, "I love your commands more than pure gold."

And then he said, "Because I consider all Your precepts right, I hate every wrong path." You see, when we love God's commands and obey them, automatically they reveal to us what is wrong. They show us how to distinguish between good and evil, between what is beneficial and what is harmful. And when we are walking in the light of God's commands, they keep us from everything harmful, from everything hurtful, from every wrong path.