



Psalm 119 is the longest chapter in the Bible, composed of 176 verses divided into **22 sections**, each corresponding to a letter of the **Hebrew alphabet**. Each section contains **8 verses**, and every verse within a section begins with the **same Hebrew letter** in the original language.

Here's a breakdown of each section, the Hebrew letter, its name, the verses it covers, and the **meaning or symbolic significance** of the letter:

Section	Hebrew Letter	Verses	Meaning of the Letter
1	Aleph (א)	1–8	Ox, strength, leader – beginning, power, teaching authority.
2	Beth (ב)	9–16	House, household – dwelling, family, temple, inner life.
3	Gimel (ג)	17–24	Camel – to lift up, benefit, reward, to deal bountifully.
4	Daleth (ד)	25–32	Door – path, entrance, humility, access to God.
5	He (ה)	33–40	Window, breath – revelation, behold, Spirit, grace.
6	Vav (ו)	41–48	Hook or nail – connection, joining, secure, continuity.
7	Zayin (ז)	49–56	Weapon, sword – struggle, power, spiritual warfare.
8	Cheth (ח)	57–64	Fence, enclosure – protection, boundary, refuge.
9	Teth (ט)	65–72	Basket or womb – good, nurturing, hidden potential.
10	Yod (י)	73–80	Hand – work, creation, deed, power to accomplish.
11	Kaph (כ)	81–88	Palm (of hand) – blessing, covering, submission.
12	Lamed (ל)	89–96	Staff, goad – teach, guide, authority, learning.
13	Mem (מ)	97–104	Water – chaos, cleansing, Word, revelation.
14	Nun (נ)	105–112	Fish – life, activity, heir, continuation.
15	Samekh (ס)	113–120	Support, prop – help, uphold, sustain.
16	Ayin (ע)	121–128	Eye – perception, insight, watchfulness.
17	Pe (פ)	129–136	Mouth – speech, command, expression.
18	Tsadhe (צ)	137–144	Hook, fishhook – righteousness, justice, harvest.
19	Qoph (ק)	145–152	Back of the head – behind, last, time, hope.
20	Resh (ר)	153–160	Head – leader, beginning, priority.
21	Shin (ש)	161–168	Teeth – consume, fire, sharpness, divine judgment.
22	Tav (ת)	169–176	Mark, sign, cross – covenant, seal, truth, completion.

Notes:

- Psalm 119 is an **acrostic psalm**, showing the perfection of God's law using the full range of the Hebrew alphabet.
 - Almost every verse mentions God's **Word** using terms like **law, statutes, commandments, decrees, precepts, word, ordinances, and testimonies**.
 - Many see the psalm as a **meditation on the Torah**, expressing love, dependence, and reverence for God's instruction.
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