

Eating Honey is Like - The Knowledge of Wisdom to Your Soul

- Proverbs 24:13-14 (NKJV)

- 13. My son, eat honey **because it is good**, And the **honeycomb which is sweet to your taste**;

- 14. *So shall the knowledge of wisdom be to your soul; If you have found it, there is a prospect, And your hope will not be cut off.*

- *So* - *LN 64* likewise, just as also, so, i.e., a marker of comparison and similarity

1 Samuel 14:25-32 (NKJV)

²⁵Now all the people of the land came to a forest; and there was honey on the ground.

²⁶And when the people had come into the woods, there was the honey, dripping; but no one put his hand to his mouth, for the people feared the oath.

²⁷*But Jonathan had not heard his father charge the people with the oath; therefore he stretched out the end of the rod that was in his hand and dipped it in a honeycomb, and put his hand to his mouth; and his countenance brightened.*

²⁸Then one of the people said, "Your father strictly charged the people with an oath, saying, 'Cursed is the man who eats food this day.'" And the people were faint.

²⁹*But Jonathan said, "My father has troubled the land. Look now, how my countenance has brightened because I tasted a little of this honey.*

³⁰*How much better if the people had eaten freely today of the spoil of their enemies which they found! For now would there not have been a much greater slaughter among the Philistines?"*

³¹Now they had driven back the Philistines that day from Michmash to Aijalon. So the people were very faint.

³²And the people rushed on the spoil, and took sheep, oxen, and calves, and slaughtered them on the ground; and the people ate them with the blood.

Jonathan ate the honey, received the immediate benefit of it and by that benefit was victorious

- *Romans 12:2. And do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind, that you may **prove** what is that good and acceptable and perfect will of God.* *Psalms 1:2 But his delight is in the law of the Lord. And in His law he meditates day and night.*

- *Psalms 19:7-11 (NIV)*

- 7. The **law** of the Lord is perfect, converting the soul; The testimony of the Lord is sure, making wise the simple;

- **law** (8. The statutes of the Lord are right, rejoicing the heart; The commandment of the Lord is pure, enlightening the eyes;

- 9. The fear of the Lord is clean, enduring forever; The judgments of the Lord are true and righteous altogether.

- 10. More to be desired are they than gold, Yea, than much fine gold; Sweeter also than honey and the honeycomb.

- 11. Moreover by them Your servant is warned, And in keeping **them** there is great reward.)

- The **law** is described by six names, epithets, and effects. It is a rule, God's testimony for the truth, His special and general prescription of duty, fear (as its cause) and judicial decision. It is distinct and certain, reliable, right, pure, holy, and true. Hence it revives those depressed by doubts, makes wise the unskilled (2 **Th** 3:15), rejoices the lover of truth, strengthens the desponding (Ps 13:7; 34:6), provides permanent principles of conduct, and by God's grace brings a rich reward.

2 Timothy 3:15 and that from childhood you have known the Holy Scriptures, which are able to make you wise for salvation through faith which is in Christ Jesus.

- 2 Corinthians 4:16-18 (NKJV)
- 16. Therefore we do not lose heart. Even though our outward man is perishing, yet the inward man *is* being *renewed* day by day.
- 17. For our light affliction, which is but for a moment, is working for us a far more exceeding and eternal weight of glory,
- 18. while we do not look at the things which are seen, but at the things which are not seen. For the things which are seen are temporary, but the things which are not seen are eternal.
- *is renewed - to be renewed (state) - to be or become reestablished in a like-new and often improved manner:*
- *I.e. restore : Psalm 23:3 He *restores* my soul; He leads me in the paths of righteousness For His name's sake.*

Proverbs 8:35-36 (NKJV)

³⁵. For whoever finds me finds life, And obtains favor from the Lord;

³⁶. But he who sins against me wrongs his own soul; All those who hate me love death."