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Ps.119,10: *"I seek you with all my heart; do not let me stray from your commands."*

1Jn.5,3: *"In fact, this is love for God: to keep his commands, and his commands are not burdensome."*

When God sends us in search for him, we realise that our whole being thirsts for him. Indeed, the way of happiness is to seek the Lord with all of one's heart.

The writer of Ps.119 knows that for such seeking to be sincere, as it must be, it cannot be carried out on a path which bypasses the will of God in favour of goals that are self-serving in nature. The path in which God must be sought is laid out by his commands. But through our desires we are caused to stray from this path. Necessary therefore is the prayer: "do not let me stray from your commands."

And necessary also is the knowledge of the way in which God puts our heart in the way of his commands – by the forgiveness of sins through the grace of the Lord Jesus Christ.

*"And everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved."* (Acts 2,21)