## **How to Deal with Life's Hard Times**

Psalm 119:137-144

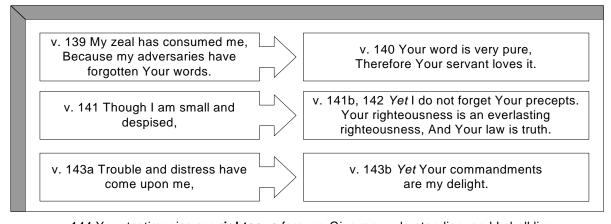
			nents of Hard Times: have		your	words" (v139).
	b.	"I am	and	" (v141)		
	c.	"	and	have come t	upon	<b>me"</b> (v143).
2)	The C	commoi	n Thread			
	a.	i. ii.	spects of scripture judgments (v137) testimonies (v138/144) words (v139)/word (v140)		v.	precepts (v141) law (v142) commandments (v143)
	b.		naracter of scripture: (v137)			
		ii.	(v138)			
		iii.	Exceeding	_ (v138)		
		iv.	Very (v1	40)		
		v.	(v142)			
		vi.	Righteous	_(v144)		
3)	How t	the Con	nmon Thread Relates to Ha	rd Times		
	a.	a. "my adversaries have forgotten Your words" (v139).				
	b.	"I am	small and despised" (v141).			
	c.	"Troul	ble and anguish have taken ho	old on me" (v143).		

"The righteousness of thy testimonies is everlasting" in verse 144.

b. Then when faced with adversity, he puts into perspective looking at who God is and what He is doing in the man's life. Each statement is a fact \_\_\_\_\_\_ with a \_\_\_\_\_ this is true, but this is even more true.

## The Psalmist's Response to Trials

v. 137 **Righteous** are you, O LORD, And **upright** are Your judgements. v. 138 You have commanded Your testimonies in **righteousness** And exceeding **faithfulness** 



v. 144 Your testimonies are **righteous** forever; Give me understanding, and I shall live.

## The Believer's Response to Trials

