

The Revelation of God

“THE WORKS AND THE
WORD OF GOD”

PSALM 19

The Revelation of God in Creation (1-6)

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- God declares Himself to mankind daily through His creation
 - The heavens/expanse declare His glory/handwork (1)
 - Day after day, night after night, His creation speaks (2)
 - No location or language is unable to see God's glory (3-4a)
 - The example of the sun, rises and sets over the whole earth (4b-6)
 - As a bridegroom coming out of his chamber; rejoices like a strong man to run its race (5)
 - Nothing is hidden from its heat (6)
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- The created world clearly declares:
 - There is a creator
 - The creator is intelligent and powerful
 - “The fool has said in his heart, ‘there is no God.’”(Psalm 14:1a)
 - Mankind is without excuse to know that there is a God and that he is powerful (Rom. 1:18-22)
 - It is by faith that we understand the worlds were prepared by the word of God (Heb. 11:1-3; Psalm 33:6-9)
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- Creation reveals:
 - The fact of God's existence
 - The Intelligence and Power of God
 - Some things creation doesn't reveal:
 - How to come to God
 - How to be pleasing to God
 - The reward for diligently following God / punishment for rejecting God
 - Thus, God also reveals Himself through His word.
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The Revelation of God in His Word (7-11)

- His Word Described:

7 The law of the LORD is perfect, **restoring the soul**;

The testimony of the LORD is sure, **making wise the simple**.

8 The precepts 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; they are righteous altogether.

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- The Value of His Word:
 - More desirable than much fine gold (10a)
 - Sweeter than honey and the honeycomb (10b)
 - By them, your servant is warned (11a)
 - Great reward in keeping them (11b)
 - Compare Psalm 119:1-7
 - Nature teaches us that there is a God, but it is only His word which tells us how to seek Him
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David's Response (12-14)

- A plea for forgiveness (12)
 - Difficulty in understanding (all of) one's errors
 - Forgiveness from secret/hidden fault - sins we aren't mindful of
 - A plea for deliverance (13)
 - Deliverance from presumptuous sins - willful, defiant sin (cf Matt. 6:13; Jas. 1:12-15)
 - Don't let sin have dominion (Ps. 119:129-136, Rom. 6:12-14)
 - A plea for acceptance (14)
 - Of both words and thoughts
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