

PSALM 19 – GOD’S REVELATIONS

Introduction

- 1) **Psalm 19** is a psalm of David
- 2) It speaks eloquently of the two revelations of God – natural and special
 - a) God wrote both the world-book and the word-book for man to read
- 3) Both reveal the design and wisdom of God, and we should listen carefully to each one

I) **The Message of God’s Creation (vv. 1-6)**

- A) The heavens declare the glory of God and the firmament his handiwork (v. 1)
 - 1) The day and night sky – their size, awe, grandeur reflect their Creator
 - 2) Immense in size, glorious in engineering, beautiful in artistry, wonderful in goodness
- B) Utters speech and reveals knowledge (vv. 2-4a)
 - 1) Speak to the divine power and wisdom of the Creator
 - 2) Romans 1:20 – men are without excuse if they reject God (Psa. 14:1)
 - a) The engineer, the doctor, the astronomer, the geologist all see the logic and design
- C) Our sun is a daily reminder of the greatness and glory of God’s creation (vv. 4b-6)
 - 1) Covers the whole sky, heat extends everywhere, gives light and life
 - 2) God the Creator (Gen. 1:1-2:4; Ex. 20:11; Psa. 33:6-9; Heb. 11:3)

II) **The Power and Value of God’s Revealed Word (vv. 7-11)**

- A) Creation says much about God, but His word reveals more – the designer Himself
 - 1) Reveals the God of covenant love and faithfulness, and the purpose of all things
- B) Six great statements about God’s word
 - 1) **Law** – perfect, converting the soul = *power to change and revive the soul*
 - 2) **Testimony** – sure, making wise the simple = *reliable to educate and instruct*
 - 3) **Statues** – right, rejoicing the heart = *joy in knowing it is always right and correct*
 - 4) **Commandment** – pure, enlightening the eyes = *holy and clean to light the way*
 - 5) **Fear** – clean, enduring forever = *without impurity and everlasting*
 - 6) **Judgments** – true and righteous altogether = *without error and totally good*
- C) The great value of God’s word
 - 1) More to be desired than fine gold – earthly wealth is temporary and limited
 - 2) Sweeter than honey and the honeycomb – gives comfort and pleasure
 - 3) Gives warning and reward – both are needed for protection and joy
 - a) Warnings are needed due to seen and unseen dangers
 - b) Obedience to God’s word is a great reward – joy and glory

III) **The Desire to be Pure Before God (vv. 12-14)**

- A) Do we truly understand our errors before God?
 - 1) Secret faults – done in secret, yet God sees all (Heb. 4:13)
 - 2) Presumptuous sins – when we know better
- B) Only God can forgive us and help us overcome the dominion of sin
 - 1) Strive for innocence and justification (2 Pet. 3:14; 1 Cor. 6:11)
- C) May our words and thoughts be pure before God (2 Cor. 7:1)

Conclusion

The more we think about God’s greatness and listen to His revealed word, the more we will want to avoid sin and strive for purity in mind and body. Hear His word and obey!