

THE GLORY OF GOD
Psalm 19

I. THE SKY: HIS GLORY ANNOUNCED.

- A. The Heavens Tell the Glory of God. vs. 1
 - 1. Man cannot overlook the powerful hand of God.
 - a. Look at a building and you think designer, architect, builder.
 - b. Look at God's creation and you must accept a "master" creator.
 - 2. God's creation proclaims God as Creator! Genesis 1:1; Psalm 33:6
 - 3. Creation speaks during the day and reveals knowledge of God at night. vss. 2-4
 - a. Changing of seasons, day to night and back again,...
 - b. The sun, moon, and stars.
 - c. Grass, flowers, and trees.
 - d. Captivated by the waves on to rocky or sandy beaches.
 - e. Acts 17:24-28
 - 4. Regardless the language spoken, God's creation is understood.
- B. The Majesty of the Sun. vs. 4b
 - 1. As a bridegroom: vs. 5a
 - a. Handsomely arrayed.
 - b. Filled with happiness.
 - 2. As a strong man, ready to run his course. vs. 5b
 - a. Prepared and confident.
 - b. Eager, determined, and ready to run a race.
 - 4. The sun rises from one end of the heavens to the other. vs. 6
 - 5. Nothing hidden from its heat.
- C. But, Its Message is Incomplete.
 - 1. The heavens proclaim a powerful God.
 - 2. But it doesn't tell of God's love.
 - 3. It doesn't tell of the plans of the cross.
 - 4. It doesn't tell of our need for holiness in the presence of God.

II. THE SCRIPTURES: HIS GLORY MORE COMPLETE.

- A. The Law of the Lord.
 - 1. The psalmist [*David*] uses six synonyms to describe God's law. vss. 7-9
 - a. The law is perfect – restoring the soul [restoring relationship with God].
 - i. Exodus 19:5
 - ii. John 15:10, 14
 - b. The testimony is sure – making wise the simple
 - c. The precepts are right – rejoicing the heart [in peace and purpose].
 - i. Psalm 119:162, 165
 - d. The commandment is pure – enlightening the eyes [guiding light].
 - i. Psalm 119:105
 - e. The fear [reverence] is clean – enduring forever [wholesome]. Mark 13:31
 - f. The judgments are true – righteous altogether [judge of all the earth].
 - i. Hebrews 4:12
 - ii. John 17:17
 - 2. How precious is God's Word?
 - a. More desirable than gold [most desired].

- b. Sweeter than honey and the honeycomb [sweetest delicacy].
 - c. For those who love and seek the truth. 2 Thessalonians 2:10-12; Matthew 6:33
- 3. What else does the Word do?
 - a. By keeping them, there is great reward. Psalm 1:1-3
 - b. There is coming a day when all will be judged. Acts 17:30-31; John 12:48

III. A SERVANT: HIS GLORY APPLIED.

- A. Personal Inventory:
 - 1. Who can discern his errors? The way of God is impartial. Jeremiah 17:9
 - 2. Cleanse me from secret sins [through the blood of Christ].
 - 3. Keep Your servant from presumptuous sins.
 - a. The sin of pride and deliberate violations.
- B. God's Word as Guide.
 - 1. I will be blameless, not a slave to sin.
 - 2. I will be cleansed from the unintentional sin.
 - 3. I will be restrained from the rebellious sin. Psalm 119:11

CLOSING

- A. A Closing Prayer:
 - 1. May the words of my mouth be acceptable to God.
 - 2. May the meditation of my heart be acceptable to God.
- B. O Lord, My Rock, My Redeemer
- C. No fear, when we are obedient go God's Word. 1 John 5:13