Declaring the Glory of God Psalm 19 | June 21, 2020

God's Word:

God's glory seen in creation and more fully in His Word transforms his people to live lives pleasing to Him.

¹ The heavens declare the glory of God, and the sky above^[a] proclaims his handiwork. ² Day to day pours out speech, and night to night reveals knowledge. ³ There is no speech, nor are there words, whose voice is not heard. ⁴ Their voice^[b] goes out through all the earth, and their words to the end of the world. In them he has set a tent for the sun, ⁵ which comes out like a bridegroom leaving his chamber, and, like a strong man, runs its course with joy. ⁶ Its rising is from the end of the heavens, and its circuit to the end of them, and there is nothing hidden from its heat. ⁷ The law of the LORD is perfect, reviving 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 rules of the LORD are true, and righteous altogether. ¹⁰ More to be desired are they than gold, even much fine gold; sweeter also than honey and drippings of the honeycomb. ¹¹ Moreover, by them is your servant warned; in keeping them there is great reward. ¹² Who can discern his errors? Declare me innocent from hidden faults. ¹³ Keep back your servant also from presumptuous sins; let them not have dominion over me! Then I shall be blameless, and innocent of great transgression. ¹⁴ Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be acceptable in your sight, O LORD, my rock and my redeemer.

Discussion Questions:

- 1. What Scripture or recent experience in your life has caused you to see the glory of God? What about God is proclaimed by that Scripture or experience?
- 2. In what ways does Psalm 19 convict, encourage, or instruct you regarding the attitudes and posture you have towards God's Word?
- 3. In light of Psalm 19, what are some specific words, thoughts or actions that God is calling you to at this time?



Questions for Parents to use with their children:

- 1. When you hear the words "create" and "Creator", what comes to mind?
- 2. **Read verses 1-6 out loud. What stands out about God and His creation?**Answer: God is the creator. His creation makes Him known. Although the sun, moon, stars, and all that is in the sky shine bright, they do not speak. Yet their message of who God is goes throughout the whole world.
- 3. **Read verses 7-12 out loud. What stands out about God?**Answer: His law. The words like "law, statutes, precepts, and commands" come from the Pentateuch (the first five books of the Bible) and are ways of referring to the Mosaic Covenant (God's promise to Moses and the people of Israel).
- 4. What do verses 12-14 tell us about God's law, sin, and prayer?

 Answer: Just like there is nothing hidden from the sun's heat, God through his law, searches all the places in our heart and He knows our hidden faults. These verses model praying for God to forgive us from our known and unknown sins, along with his protection from future sins against Him.
- 5. As a family, how can we apply what we've learned about God from Psalm 19?