

GODS GLORY DECLARED

Our text is Psalm 19: 1-6 (KJV)

WHAT DOES THE BIBLE HAVE TO SAY.

Let us begin with the scripture.

Psalm 19 Authorized (King James) Version

¹ The heavens declare the glory of God;
and the firmament sheweth his handywork.

² Day unto day uttereth speech,
and night unto night sheweth knowledge.

³ *There is* no speech nor language,
where their voice is not heard.

⁴ Their line is gone out through all the earth,
and their words to the end of the world.

In them hath he set a tabernacle for the sun,

⁵ which *is* as a bridegroom coming out of his chamber,
and rejoiceth as a strong man to run a race.

⁶ His going forth *is* from the end of the heaven,
and his circuit unto the ends of it:

and there is nothing hid from the heat thereof.

⁷ The law of the LORD *is* perfect, converting the soul:
the testimony of the LORD *is* sure, making wise the simple.

⁸ The statutes 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 for ever:
the judgments of the LORD *are* true *and* righteous altogether.

¹⁰ More to be desired *are* *they* than gold, yea, than much fine gold:
sweeter also than honey and the honeycomb.

¹¹ Moreover by them is thy servant warned:
and in keeping of them *there is* great reward.

¹² Who can understand *his* errors?
cleanse thou me from secret *faults*.

¹³ Keep back thy servant also from presumptuous *sins*;

let them not have dominion over me: then shall I be upright,
and I shall be innocent from the great transgression.

¹⁴ Let the words of my mouth, and the meditation of my heart,
be acceptable in thy sight, O LORD,
my strength, and my redeemer.

I. Who has seen His Glory.

This morning we take a look at the 19th Psalm of David.
He is writing here by the divine inspiration of our Lord, where God is telling David
the following beginning in Psalm 14:1-3.

Psalm 14:1-3

1. The fool hath said in his heart, There is no God. They are corrupt, they
have done abominable works, there is none that doeth good.
2. The LORD looked down from heaven upon the children of men, to see if
there were any that did understand, and seek God.
3. They are all gone aside, they are all together become filthy: there is none
that doeth good, no, not one.

David was talking with the Lord, because King David's own heart had become
aware to God's call.

- The Lord used King David to record these very famous biblical recitable
words of scripture that says...
- "there is none that doeth good" (Romans 3:10).

Romans 3:10 ¹⁰As it is written, There is none righteous, no, not one:

So, you see, it was not only in the NT that God is telling and instructing man of
his evil ways, but the longstanding preaching of the word goes back as far as the
OT.

- God knows the ways of a man's heart is deceitful and wicked.

Proverbs 16:9

A man's **heart** deviseth his way: but the LORD directeth his steps.

Proverbs 19:21

There are many devices in a man's **heart**; nevertheless the counsel of the LORD,
that shall stand.

- "He is man's creator", but God also created man with a free will to decide
what was righteous or not.

- Remember the battle of Joshua, and the decision Joshua called for.

Joshua 24:15

¹⁵And if it seem evil unto you to serve the LORD, choose you this day whom ye will serve; whether the gods which your fathers served that were on the other side of the flood, or the gods of the Amorites, in whose land ye dwell: but as for me and my house, we will serve the LORD.

- Man was to decide his own fate if you will, to be measured by the scriptures.

We are not God's "toy soldiers" that are programmed to respond in a certain way" but rather the creation of God's power, with a spirit to decide whether or not to worship the creator.

1. "True worship is the intelligence of the heart, poured forth into an action of righteous doing"
2. It is not a mono repetitive action in a trans with swaying hands.
3. "God created us with our own will" – It is a will that is influenced by the sin which is in us, and therefore we need to overcome this evil within us by calling on the one and only Savior of the world Jesus Christ for salvation, and that by the work of the Holy Spirit we can be retrained by Gods Word.

- **We see in the Scriptures a man King David, who is born in sin, but redeemed by the Lord.**

Acts 13:22

And when he had removed him, he raised up unto them David to be their king; to whom also he gave their testimony, and said, I have found David the son of Jesse, **a man after mine own heart**, which shall fulfil all my **will**.

- ✓ Remember that God's will for your life can be found in God's Word.
- ✓ On the Day of Judgement all men will be judged by what is in the Word of God.

Acts 13:36

For David, after he had served **his own generation by the will of God**, fell on sleep, and was laid unto his fathers, and saw corruption:

1 Corinthians 7:37

Nevertheless he that standeth stedfast in his heart, having no necessity, but hath **power over his own will**, and hath so decreed in his heart that he **will** keep his virgin, doeth well.

Philippians 2:12-13

¹² Wherefore, my beloved, as ye have always obeyed, not as in my presence only, but now much more in my absence, work out your own salvation with fear and trembling.

13. For it is God which worketh in you both to will and to do of his good pleasure.

Ephesians 1:11

In whom also we have obtained an inheritance, being predestinated according to the purpose of him who worketh all things after the **counsel of his own will**:

So, as we begin to examine our text for this morning, which by the way is still Psalm 19.

We find out that God has always, always, always, ever since creation given man no excuse not to see the wonders and powers of his creator.

The bible says there is none without excuse.

II. GODS GLORY REVEALED.

Psalm 19:1-3

1. **The heavens declare the glory of God**; and the firmament sheweth his handywork.
2. Day unto day uttereth speech, and night unto night sheweth knowledge.
3. There is no speech nor language, where their voice is not heard.

As we look to the creation in Genesis 1:6-8 we are again reminded of the firmament and shown the hand of the Lord, who is over all things.

Genesis 1:6-8

¶And God said, Let there be a firmament in the midst of the waters, and let it divide the waters from the waters.

¶And God made the firmament, and divided the waters which were under the firmament from the waters which were above the firmament: and it was so.

¶And **God called the firmament Heaven**. And the evening and the morning were the second day.

1. As we look up into the heavens during the day we see the glory of the Sun, giving life and light to all upon the earth. Without it all life would perish physically, no life could exist, whether it is animals, man or plants.
2. When we look into the heavens on a clear night sky, we see the moon, the star constellations, the planets and all the majesty of God's hand.
3. When we look to the firmament (atmosphere) during the day we see the clouds whispering to us, and the storms building, and flash of lightening, and the roar of the thunder as they line up by the Lords command and submit under his hand.
4. When it rains, we receive the water which sustains physical life, and the bow of the rainbow to testify of his covenant with man.

- ✓ As the psalmist wrote in Psalm 19:2 day after day, and night upon night this is the testimony of the Lord upon the people.
- ✓ The testimony of the Lord is in a language that all can understand. Their speech is understandable by all people.
- ✓ The voice of his testimony is heard by all.

Therefore, in there is the most exposed, and revealing information known to the unregenerate man. And for that matter the Christian had also better take notice.

- There is no man under the sun ever born that cannot either touch or see creation and not marvel at its beauty and sustainability, and see in it the message of the creator.

So when King David under the inspiration and guidance of the Lords command captured this message for all to see, we find this message from God.....

“There is no speech nor language, where their voice is not heard”

The apostle Paul in Romans 1:18-20 again refers back to this scripture in Psalm 19.

Romans 1:18-20

¹⁸For the wrath of God is revealed from heaven against all ungodliness and unrighteousness of men, who hold the truth in unrighteousness;

¹⁹Because that which **may be known of God is manifest in them**; for God hath shewed it unto them.

²⁰For the invisible things of him from the creation of the world are clearly seen, being understood by the things that are made, even his eternal power and Godhead; so that they are without excuse:

1. How beautiful is a sunrise, or sunset, or a water fall cascading down a cliff face, with its silver ribbon of water, masquerading ribbons of silver against the suns glittering rays, creating a rainbow kaleidoscope of colour, etched in the magnificent white spray of life giving water.
2. How bright are the stars against a clear African sky, like jewels of jasper and white diamonds, and the red jewel of Jupiter framing the evening sky.
3. How bright is the moon's glare on creation, reflecting the sun's rays from the other side of the earth, placing it as an opal Jem in the heavens, with its yellow radiating brilliance of a work completed.
4. How can the silver streak of a lightning bolt, flash across the sky, and revealing its might power; lighting up the sky like a photographer in his studio.

5. How the thunder booms in a rainstorm, opening the ears of the hearer and reminding them of a great creator. And how the smell of fresh rain can be smelled falling from the firmament.
- How can God, the creator not exist, when his testimony is on permanent display before all to behold in its majestic glory.

I cannot put it better than the scripture puts it.

Psalm 14 ¹ The fool hath said in his heart, There is no God. They are corrupt, they have done abominable works, there is none that doeth good. ² The LORD looked down from heaven upon the children of men, to see if there were any that did understand, and seek God.

1. His creation is His signature written in the heavens for all to see.
2. Yet there are still those that the Lords says, seek me not.

Psalm 24:1

The earth is the LORD's, and the fulness thereof; the world, and they that dwell therein.

1 Corinthians 10:26

For the earth is the Lord's, and the fulness thereof.

- The hills and the valleys and the rolling green hills, and the patchwork of colours hedging in the fields is a testament to Gods glory.

III. GODS GLORY A WITNESS

The first 4 verses in Psalm 19:1-4, calls and commands our attending to his Glory, but the 5th and 6th verse in Psalm 19, reveals to the reader a more specific understanding.

Psalm 19:5-6

⁵Which is as a bridegroom coming out of his chamber, and rejoiceth as a strong man to run a race.

⁶His going forth is from the end of the heaven, and his circuit unto the ends of it: and there is nothing hid from the heat thereof.

1. Just as the Sun is set in its glory in the heavens, there is another with far more Glory.
2. The bridegroom here is referred to elsewhere in the scripture as the Christ, who will come again.
3. Just as none can hide from the rays of the sun, so none will be able to hide from the Savior Jesus Christ, who will come as a strongman out to run a race.

Isaiah 61:10

I will greatly rejoice in the LORD, my soul shall be joyful in my God; for he hath clothed me with the garments of salvation, he hath covered me with the robe of righteousness, as a **bridegroom** decketh himself with ornaments, and as a bride adorneth herself with her jewels.

The SCRIPTURES challenge to us all is this:

Philippians 2: ⁵. Let this mind be in you, which was also in Christ Jesus:

1. We have a work to do folks. A work that needs input from us all.
 2. We need to be active in spreading the Gospel of Jesus.
 3. We need to be found in the things of the Lord.
 4. We need to serve Jesus with our love to others, spreading the Word of God.
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1. The Lords says they serve me with the lips but their heart is far from me.
 2. Don't let that be the case for us folks.
 3. Let us boldly come to the throne of grace.

Job 22:13-15

¹³And thou sayest, How doth God know? can he judge through the dark cloud?

¹⁴Thick clouds are a covering to him, that he seeth not; and he walketh in the circuit of heaven.

¹⁵Hast thou marked the old way which wicked men have trodden?

1. We continue to walk in the paths of sin, and the question that Jobs friend Eliphaz asked Job was, this?
2. Is not God in the height of heaven? And behold the height of the stars, how high they are! (Job 22:12).
3. And thou sayest, How doth God know?

We lose all perspective of God, and so we need to be reminded, as was the case with Job.

The Glory of God is revealed folks, it takes a fool to deny it.

Isaiah 40:22

It is he that sitteth upon the **circle** of the earth, and the inhabitants thereof are as grasshoppers; that stretcheth out the heavens as a curtain, and spreadeth them out as a tent to dwell in:

Prayer.....