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PSALM 19:1-11

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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.

Psalm 19:1-11 - continued

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.

Introduction

A. The World Ignores The Works Of God

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.

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B. The World Ignores The Message of God

Romans 1:20-21

20 For 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:

21 Because that, when they knew God, they glorified him not as God, neither were thankful; but became vain in their imaginations, and their foolish heart was darkened.

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C. We Need To Live By The Word Of God

Deuteronomy 8:3

And he humbled thee, and suffered thee to hunger, and fed thee with manna, which thou knewest not, neither did thy fathers know; that he might make thee know that man doth not live by bread only, but by every word that proceedeth out of the mouth of the Lord doth man live.

Matthew 4:4

But he answered and said, It is written, Man shall not live by bread alone, but by every word that proceedeth out of the mouth of God.

I. The Bible's Purity

A. It is perfect (v 7)

Deuteronomy 32:4

He is the Rock, his work is perfect: for all his ways are judgment: a God of truth and without iniquity, just and right is he.

B. It is sure (v 7)

2 Peter 1:19

We have also a more sure word of prophecy; whereunto ye do well that ye take heed, as unto a light that shineth in a dark place, until the day dawn, and the day star arise in your hearts:

I. The Bible's Purity

C. It is righteous (vv 8-9)

Psalm 33:4

For the word of the LORD is right; and all his works are done in truth.

Psalm 119:137

Righteous art thou, O LORD, and upright are thy judgments.

II. The Bible's Power

A. To Convert the soul (v 7)

1. Convert = Turn

Malachi 4:6

And he shall turn the heart of the fathers to the children, and the heart of the children to their fathers, lest I come and smite the earth with a curse.

2. Counsel of God's Word

Jeremiah 23:22

But if they had stood in my counsel, and had caused my people to hear my words, then they should have turned them from their evil way, and from the evil of their doings.

II. The Bible's Power

A. To Convert the soul (v 7) - continued

3. Concept of salvation

1 Peter 1:23

Being born again, not of corruptible seed, but of incorruptible, by the word of God, which liveth and abideth for ever.

II. The Bible's Power

B. To Change the simple (v 7)

1. Simple - one who is easily seduced or enticed to do wrong

Proverbs 14:15

The simple believeth every word: but the prudent *man* looketh well to his going.

2. The simple need to see the need for understanding

Proverbs 8:5

O ye simple, understand wisdom: and, ye fools, be ye of an understanding heart.

II. The Bible's Power

B. To Change the simple (v 7) - continued

3. To be wise is to know and act from God's perspective

a. A different path

Proverbs 15:24

The way of life is above to the wise, that he may depart from hell beneath.

b. A different provider

James 3:17

But the wisdom that is from above is first pure, then peaceable, gentle, and easy to be intreated, full of mercy and good fruits, without partiality, and without hypocrisy.

II. The Bible's Power

C. To Cheer the heart (v 8)

1. In tests

John 16:33

These things I have spoken unto you, that in me ye might have peace. In the world ye shall have tribulation: but be of good cheer; I have overcome the world.

2. In tempests

Matthew 14:27

But straightway Jesus spake unto them, saying, Be of good cheer; it is I; be not afraid.

Acts 27:25

Wherefore, sirs, be of good cheer: for I believe God, that it shall be even as it was told me.

II. The Bible's Power

C. To Cheer the heart (v 8)

3. In temperament

God's Word can cheer us if we will allow it to

Colossians 3:16

Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly in all wisdom; teaching and admonishing one another in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing with grace in your hearts to the Lord.

II. The Bible's Power

D. To Correct our vision (v 9)

1. To see deliverance

2 Kings 6:17

And Elisha prayed, and said, Lord, I pray thee, open his eyes, that he may see. And the Lord opened the eyes of the young man; and he saw: and, behold, the mountain was full of horses and chariots of fire round about Elisha.

2. To be devoted

Luke 11:34

The light of the body is the eye: therefore when thine eye is single, thy whole body also is full of light; but when thine eye is evil, thy body also is full of darkness.

II. The Bible's Power

D. To Correct our vision (v 9) – continued

3. To change direction

Acts 26:18

To open their eyes, and to turn them from darkness to light, and from the power of Satan unto God, that they may receive forgiveness of sins, and inheritance among them which are sanctified by faith that is in me.

II. The Bible's Power

E. To Caution His servants (v 11)

1. To stay righteous

Ezekiel 3:21

Nevertheless if thou warn the righteous *man*, that the righteous sin not, and he doth not sin, he shall surely live, because he is warned; also thou hast delivered thy soul.

2. To heed the warning

Ezekiel 33:4

Then whosoever heareth the sound of the trumpet, and taketh not warning; if the sword come, and take him away, his blood shall be upon his own head.

II. The Bible's Power

E. To Caution His servants (v 11) - continued

3. To keep God's Word

Psalm 119:101

I have refrained my feet from every evil way, that I might keep thy word.

III. The Bible's Preciousness (19:10)

A. We need to look up to it

Psalm 119:5-6

**5 O that my ways were directed to keep thy statutes!
6 Then shall I not be ashamed, when I have respect unto
all thy commandments.**

B. We need to love it

Psalm 119:140

Thy word is very pure: therefore thy servant loveth it.

C. We need to labor in it

2 Timothy 1:13

**Hold fast the form of sound words, which thou hast
heard of me, in faith and love which is in Christ Jesus.**

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