

LIFE GROUP SERMON SUMMARY QUESTIONS

Psalms Series

These questions are for the **October 24, 2021** sermon, "The Heavens Declare." Please read the sermon passage (Psalm 19) together out loud.

Sermon Outline

AS WE EXPLORE THE ENTIRETY OF GOD'S WORK, NOTE . . .

1. The creational witness pointing us to God. (1-6)
 - a. God's creation constantly declares his glory in every language all around the world.
 - i. The heavens "declare and keep on declaring" his glory.
 - ii. The sky "proclaims and keeps on proclaiming" his glory.
 - b. God has established a system which faithfully "pours out" a witness to his power.
 - c. If God can create something out of nothing, he can also create something good from something bad.
2. The scriptural teachings providing guidance by God. (7-11)
 - a. Note the 6 descriptions of God's Word, tied together with 6 benefits from his Word.
 - i. Law revives (7); testimony makes wise (7); precepts bring joy (8)
 - ii. Commands enlighten (8); fear endures forever (9); rules make righteous (9).
 - b. God's Word is more valuable than riches or even life itself. Treasure it!
3. The personal prayers seeking help from God. (12-14)
 - a. Seeing God's wisdom and power in creation should drive us to ask for righteousness.
 - b. "Lord, keep us from sins."
 - c. "Lord, let even the secret thoughts of our heart be acceptable to you."

Life Group Discussion Questions

1. Based on #1, above: Do you invest time outside, day and night? What do you observe about God's wisdom, power and goodness when you examine the heavens and the sky above?
2. Based on #1, above: Note the global impact of creation, which pours out speech about God's greatness in every language around the earth. What is the relationship between creation and global discipleship (missions)? How do they work together? Why do they need each other?
3. Based on #2, above: Note the descriptions and the benefits of God's Word. In what way does one of the 6 descriptions minister to you? What about the benefits? If you had a choice between the ongoing ministry and understanding of God's Word, or \$1M, are you sure you'd choose God's Word? Why?
4. Based on #3, above: In response to the grandeur and beauty and wisdom and power of God we see in creation, each of us is instructed to ask God to help us humbly submit our lives to him. When you see God's handiwork do you worship and pray? Describe a worshipful response that you have had in God's creation recently. Do you resist temptation better because of the heavens? (13) Are you more aware of your secret thoughts/motives because of creation? (14)