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Daily Verse and Comment

Psalm 19:1-4

(1) The heavens declare the glory of God;

the skies proclaim the work of his hands. (2) Day after day they pour forth speech;

night after night they display knowledge. (3) There is no speech or language

where their voice is not heard. (4) Their voice goes out into all the earth, their words to the ends of the world.

In the heavens he has pitched a tent for the sun,

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In Psalm 19, we have the example of a man who is really tuned into <u>God</u>, which resulted in him writing about one-half of the 150 Psalms. To David, the immense size, radiance, and regularity of the heavenly bodies spoke to him of the <u>wisdom</u>, power, and steadfast character of the God of creation, and he was thankful because he knew that God, and God only, had given to him this perspective.

Recall that in <u>Deuteronomy 8:2-3</u>, the reason that God humbled the Israelites—and now humbles us too—is because He wanted to test them so that they would know that "man does not live by bread alone, but by *every word* that proceeds out of the mouth of God." That was His ultimate reason. In other words, He did what He did so that they would listen to what He said. Here in Psalm 19, David demonstrates that he had been listening! He heard the "voice" of God revealing Himself, not in audible sound, but in what can be observed in the creation, and it resulted, among other things, in greater understanding, praise, and thanksgiving.

All too often, we allow the events of life to distract us from the glory of God in what He has made and in what He is doing, permitting them to divert our attention from Him and His purpose. Because of a lack of <u>faith</u>, we look

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away from the light and focus our attention on the dark, and we soon become unthankful. We would do well to imitate David in this regard.

— John W. Ritenbaugh

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