

Psalm 19:7-9

The Power and Priority of Scripture

- I. Introduction:** This psalm explains God’s self-revelation, given to man through the general revelation of His creation and the special revelation of the Bible.

- II. The Power and Priority of Scripture (Psa 19:7-9).**
 - A. (#1) It is Perfect (**v. 7a**).

 - B. (#2) It is Sure (**v. 7b**).

 - C. (#3) It is Right (**v. 8a**).

 - D. (#4) It is Pure (**v. 8b**).

 - E. (#5) It is Clean (**v. 9a**).

 - F. (#6) It is True (**v. 9b**).

- III. Conclusion:** After contemplating God’s Word, David is struck by his need to study and meditate on it so that he might be a man whose words are controlled by it.

Study Questions: The Power and Priority of Scripture

1. What makes the Bible unique from all other religious books? What does the Bible say about itself in **Psalms 19**? How is God revealed through His creation? (**Psa 19:1-6**)
2. What are the six titles David used to describe Scripture in **Psalms 19:7-9**? What are the six characteristics of the Word? What are its six benefits? What strikes you about this psalm?
3. Why does Scripture describe itself as law? (**Psa 19:7**) How is God's Word perfect? (**v. 7a**) What does it mean that it restores men's souls? (**Heb 4:12-13**) How is it transformative?
4. Why is the Word of God called a testimony? (**Psa 19:7**) What does it mean that it is sure? (**v. 7b**) What does it mean that it makes the simple wise? How does it give people discernment?
5. Why does it mean that Scripture is God's precepts? (**Psa 19:8**) How is the Bible right? (**v. 8a**) If you disagree with God, who is correct? What is the result that it produces?
6. Why does God's word describe itself as a commandment? (**Psa 19:8**) How is God's Word pure? (**v. 8b**) How does the Scripture lead to holiness? In what way does it enlighten eyes?
7. Why is the Bible called the fear of the Lord? (**Psa 19:9**) What does it mean that it is clean? (**v. 9a**) Why does the word of God endure forever? (**Psa 119:89; 152; Matt 24:35**)
8. Why is the Word of God called the judgments of the Lord? (**Psa 19:9**) What does it mean that it is true? (**v. 9b**) What does it mean that they are righteous altogether?

Prayer

1. Ask God to help you to appreciate His Word more and apply it to your life.
2. Pray that Jesus will help you proclaim the truth of Scripture so that others might know it.