

February 7th – Special Revelation

*“The law of the Lord is perfect, converting the soul;
The testimony of the Lord is sure, making wise the simple;
The statutes of the Lord are right, rejoicing the heart;
The commandment of the Lord is pure, enlightening the eyes;
The fear of the Lord is clean, enduring forever;
The judgments of the Lord are true and righteous altogether..”
(Psalm 19:7-9)*

After establishing the general revelation of God to every human being, the psalmist David then moves to demonstrate that God utilizes an even greater form of revelation. This greater form is called “special revelation,” and in this case it’s a reference to the Word of God. Just look at all the things David said about God’s Word! First, he talks about the perfection of God’s Law. It is through the Law that a man becomes aware of his sin and gains the opportunity to repent and be converted to Christ.

He also refers to the Word as the testimony of the Lord. The testimony of God’s Word is certain, and as such it makes wise men out of fools. David also calls Scripture “the statutes of the Lord.” God’s Word clearly directs us to and through God’s perfect will, and we find that obedience to those statutes causes our hearts to rejoice. And of course, we know Scripture is filled with “the commandment of the Lord” which is pure, helping us to understand the difference between right and wrong.

David also calls Scripture “the fear of the Lord,” in the sense that Scripture teaches us a holy reverence for God which is “clean.” The fear of the Lord endures forever because God will never cease to be holy. The psalmist finishes with “the judgments of the Lord.” Clearly, God’s judgments are “true and righteous altogether” because our God does not lie (Titus 1:2). These truths show us that God has gone into great detail revealing Himself to His creation.