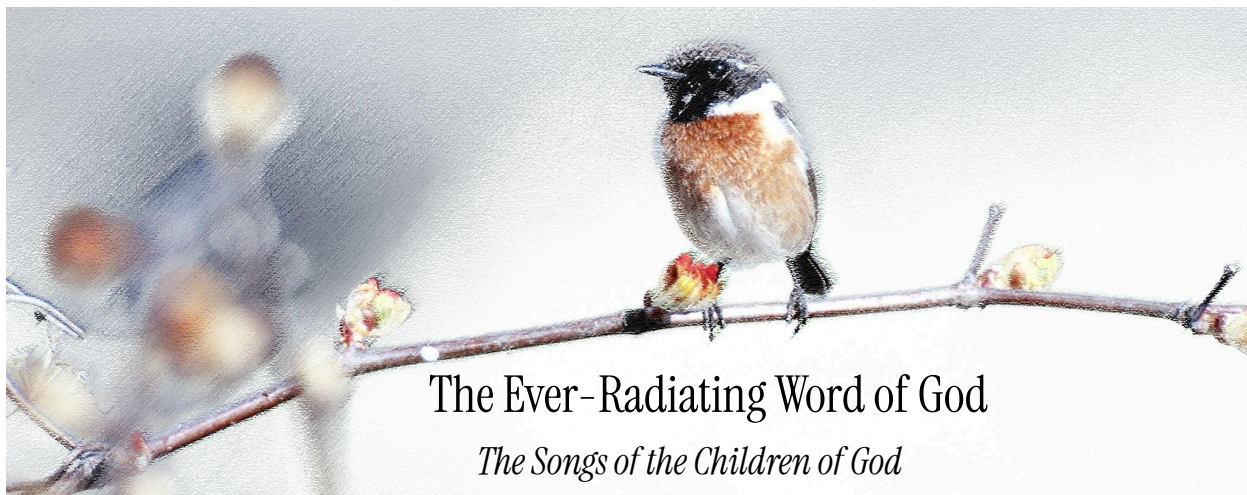




The Ever-Radiating Word of God

The Songs of the Children of God

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PSALM 19

To the lead player. A David psalm

The heavens tell God's glory,
and His handiwork sky declares.
Day to day breathes utterance
and night to night pronounces knowledge.
There is no utterance and there are no words,
their voice is never heard.
Through all the earth their voice goes out,
to the world's edge, their words.
For the sun He set up a tent in them—
and he like a groom from his canopy comes,
exults like a warrior running his course.
From the ends of the heavens his going out
and his circuit to their ends,
and nothing can hide from his heat.
The LORD's teaching is perfect,
restoring to life.
The LORD's pact is steadfast,
it makes the fool wise.
The LORD's precepts are upright,
delighting the heart.
The LORD's command unblemished,
giving light to the eyes.
The LORD's fear is pure,

outlasting all time.
The LoRD's judgments are truth,
all of them just.
More desired than gold,
than abundant fine gold,
and sweeter than honey,
quintessence of bees.
Your servant, too, takes care with them.
In keeping them - great reward.
Unwitting sins who can grasp?
Of unknown actions clear me.
From willful men preserve Your servant,
let them not rule over me.
Then shall I be blameless
and clear of great crime.
Let my mouth's utterances be pleasing
and my heart's stirring before You,
LoRD, my rock and redeemer.

Reflection

Every part of creation is continually telling the creator with voiceless "words": see Romans 1:19,20
For all the benefits of the scientific worldview, the downside of disenchanting the world
Created artifacts cannot but help reveal things about their creator: fingerprints as treasure mazes
Premier example: the sun What does the sun tell of God? Lover, Warrior, Sovereignty
What images and words have in common: histories and ranges that work like prisms, not cages
Thinking about the word "sun": other stars, general light, idioms of success, expressions of totality
What makes special revelation special: intelligibility and its *personal* nature: relationship
God's Law, His spoken revelation, overflowing with benefits, summarized as gold (value) and honey (delight)
Free me from unwitting sin, willful men, unpleasant thoughts and words
How can we come to have a true obedient blameless heart?
Rock (build house on the rock! Matt 7:24) and Redeemer (give His life as a ransom for many! Mark 10:45)
The WORD made flesh (John 1:14): the Creator instead of the creation, the Speaker instead of the words
Beyond revelation to union! The incarnation inaugurates the new creation!