Ps.19:1-14 "The Revelation of God's Glory" A Psalm of David

intro. What are some ways that God can be revealed to man?

Subject: The revelation of God's glory

**Object: Live to please God** 

A. God's glory is revealed in His creation [1-6]

1The heavens declare the glory of God; and the firmament shows His handiwork. 2Day unto day utters speech, and night unto night reveals knowledge: Universe is <a href="mailto:immense">immense</a>; speed of light 186,000 mi. second > 40 billion years to reach furthest point we see with an earthbound telescope. Naked eye see @5,000 stars, small telescope >2mil. Hubble: billions of galaxies earth = tiny speck!

- \* Distance between stars 1 cent = 1,000 miles: Earth to moon=\$2.38, to sun=\$930, nearest star 260 million!
- 1. The Creator's glory is revealed to all people: without a word the sky declares God's glory. There is no place on planet where the glory of His creation is not revealed v.2 day & night sky declares God's greatness \*\* beauty of sunrise and sunset
- \*\* clear summer night lie on back in front-yard and look at stars > marvel re creation \*8<sup>th</sup> grade winter Yosemite: falls, ½ dome, el cap, stars > glacier point sun down > turn off lights stars \*\* H.S./college: Perseids meteor shower August [meteor a min.
- 3*There is* no speech nor language *where* their voice is not heard. 4Their line has gone out through all the earth, and their words to the end of the world. In them He has set a tabernacle for the sun 5which *is* like a bridegroom coming out of his chamber, *and* rejoices like a strong man to run its race. 6Its rising *is* from one end of heaven, and its circuit to the other end; and there is nothing hidden from its heat.
- **a.** Without a word the sky declares God's glory there is no place on the planet where the glory of His creation is not revealed [3-4]
- **b.** The whole earth sees the sun daily and its heat is felt around the globe [5-6]
- ? What is one of your favorite parts of creation [e.g. place, animal, experience]?
- 2. The Creator must be greater than the creation
- a. real science shows God: cosmology, biology, intelligent design reveals a designer
- 3. Man is subject to His Creator [Rom. 1:18-20]
- a. Even without the Bible man has no excuse for not submitting to God
- i. People suppress the revelation of God to justify rebellion and sin
- B. God's glory is revealed in His Word [7-11]

7The law of the LORD *is* <u>perfect</u>, converting the soul; the testimony of the LORD *is* <u>sure</u>, making wise the simple; 8The statutes of the LORD *are* <u>right</u>, rejoicing the heart; the commandment of the LORD *is* <u>pure</u>, enlightening the eyes; 9the fear of the LORD *is* clean, enduring forever; the judgments of the LORD *are* <u>true</u> <u>and</u> <u>righteous</u> altogether. 10More to be desired <u>are</u> <u>they</u> than gold, yea, than much fine gold; sweeter also than honey and the honeycomb. 11Moreover by them Your servant is warned, <u>and</u> in keeping them <u>there</u> <u>is</u> great reward: The Bible helps us know God and relate to Him. The Bible reveals God and His love, grace, covenant relationship, standards, 1. Some characteristics of the Word [7-9]: perfect, sure, right, pure, cleansing, enduring, true, and righteous

- v.10 more valuable than gold [heaven's asphalt], sweeter than honey [never spoils]. Why? The Bible reveals God! 2Tim.3:16-17
- 2. What does the Bible do?
- a. converts the soul [7] reveals God's perfection, my sin, God's plan of salvation
- **b. makes wise[7]** respect for God is the beginning of wisdom; cf. provides guidance in the midst of various conflicting philosophies
- c. rejoices heart [8] hope and joy that transcends circumstances, eternal hope
- d. enlightens eyes [8]: existence of God, spiritual matters eternity
- e. warns God's people [v.11] how to have a right re with God [benefits/dangers]
- f. promised rewards for obedience [11] [Matt.25
- ? what are some rewards of obedience?
- 3. Some evidence of a life yielded to the glorious God [12-14]
- a. Confession and repentance of sin [12-13] Who can understand his errors? Cleanse me from secret faults. 13Keep back Your servant also from presumptuous sins pride, self-confidence let them not have dominion over me prays to not be self-ruled but God governed. Then I shall be blameless, and I shall be innocent of great transgression: departing from God
- b. Prayer for words thoughts and life to be acceptable to God [v.14] Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be acceptable in Your sight,
- c. Recognize God as Lord strength and Redeemer [14] O LORD, my strength and my Redeemer.
- i. Lord: Sovereign
- ii. strength: security, salvation, source of life
- iii. Redeemer Jesus pays the price to set us free from sin to be free to follow God