**Outline for mH Aug. 31, 2025**

**How Does Worship Lead us to Listen to the Word of God?**

Psalm 19:1-14

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 reveal knowledge. 3 They have no speech, they use no words; no sound is heard from them. 4 Yet their voice b goes out into all the earth, their words to the ends of the world. In the heavens God has pitched a tent for the sun. 5 It is like a bridegroom coming out of his chamber, like a champion rejoicing to run his course. 6 It rises at one end of the heavens and makes its circuit to the other; nothing is deprived of its warmth.

7 The law of the LORD is perfect, refreshing the soul. The statutes of the LORD are trustworthy, making wise the simple. 8 The precepts of the LORD are right, giving joy to the heart. The commands of the LORD are radiant, giving light to the eyes. 9 The fear of the LORD is pure, enduring forever. The decrees of the LORD are firm, and all of them are righteous. 10 They are more precious than gold, than much pure gold; they are sweeter than honey, than honey from the honeycomb. 11 By them your servant is warned; in keeping them there is great reward.

12 But who can discern their own errors? Forgive my hidden faults. 13 Keep your servant also from willful sins; may they not rule over me. Then I will be blameless, innocent of great transgression.

14 May these words of my mouth and this meditation of my heart be pleasing in your sight, Lord, my Rock and my Redeemer.

**Theme and Goal: We worship God by L\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ to C\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ and by L\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ to the W\_\_\_\_ and we are T\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.**

1. We Worship God by Listening to Creation.

 Rom. 1:20 “ For since the creation of the world God’s invisible qualities—his eternal power and divine nature—have been clearly seen, being understood from what has been made, so that people are without excuse.”

The Hebrew word for glory is *Kabod* as in weightiness, splendor, glory, riches

God reveals Himself in Nature – called G\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_revelation but in this revelation we learn nothing about J\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

 **2. We Worship God by Listening to His Word.**

 In verses 1-6 the name for God is God or El or Mighty One, God of Power. In the last verses 7-14 God’s name is changed to LORD or Yahweh, God of love, the **Covenant** God who wants a **Relationship** with all of His children

1. **Five different words for the law of God:**

1.Law

2. statutes

3. precepts

4. commands

5. decrees

1. **Five Ministries of the law**

 1. Refreshes the soul

 2. Makes us wise

 3. Gives joy to the heart

 4. Gives light to the eyes

 5. By them we are warned.

 **C. Eight Qualities of the law of God:**

1. Perfect

2. Trustworthy

1. Right
2. Radiant
3. Pure
4. Enduring forever
5. Firm
6. Righteous

 **D. The Word makes us look at O\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_and T\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ us.**

We aren’t punished F\_\_\_ our sins but B\_\_ our sins.

Vs. 12 But who can discern their own errors?

Ask the Holy Spirit to reveal your hidden sins and willful sins.

Hebrews 4:12 “For the word of God is alive and active. Sharper than any double-edged sword, it penetrates even to dividing soul and spirit, joints and marrow; it judges the thoughts and attitudes of the heart.”

**We worship God by listening to creation and by listening to the Word and we are transformed.**

John 1:1 In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. He was with God in the beginning. 3 Through him all things were made; without him nothing was made that has been made. 4 In him was life, and that life was the light of all mankind.

 David ends the Psalm with these words:

Psalm 19:14 “May the words of my mouth and the meditations of my heart be pleasing in your sight, O Lord, my rock and my redeemer.”

**Application**: There are two principles to keep in balance.

1. Examine your own heart with the sermon – sit humbly and listen to the sermon, is the Holy Spirit convicting you of something to need to change in your life? Follow the sermon’s applications.

2. Examine the sermon – listen with critical ears. Don’t be too uncritical or gullible, thinking the preacher is perfect but listen with discernment. Is the sermon based on scripture? Is it true to the Word of God?