Seeking His Presence

JOY in Our Creator and His Creation

Sunday, September 7, 2025

Psalm 19:1-8 NIV

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 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.

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.

- 1. Glory in His Power.
- 2. Experience the Majesty of Creation.
- 3. Encounter the Word Unspoken.

Conclusion: Let us frequently seek the presence of our God and Creator, among His creation. Let us worship Him as we behold His glory on display. Let us look for the attributes He reveals about Himself in creation. These encounters renew us with an inexpressible joy.

LIFE GROUP LESSON

JOY in Our Creator and His Creation

Week of September 7th-September 13th, 2025

Ice Breaker: What is something in creation that brings you joy?

Read Psalm 19:1-10.

- 1. What do the heavens declare? (v.1)
- 2. What have you felt as you look to the heavens at various times?
- **3.** What do they reveal? (v.2) Of what?
- **4.** Have you experienced this? How so?
- 5. How can a voice go out without words? (vs.3-4)
- **6.** What is their voice proclaiming? What is the message?
- 7. What does the sun give evidence to? (vs. 5-6)
- **8.** What do we learn about God through the creation of the sun?
- **9.** Read Psalm 8:3-4. Does being in creation cause you to ask this same question? Why? What answer do you receive?
- **10.** Read Psalm 104:10-13. What is revealed about God's attributes as we read these verses? What do we see about God as Creator?
- **11.** What is even better than creation itself? (v.7) How so?
- 12. When we read and follow the Law, what does it do for us? (v.7)
- 13. How does God's Word refresh your soul?
- **14.** What are we told about His statutes? (v.7)
- 15. As we trust in His ways and follow, what do we gain? (v.7)
- **16.** What do God's ways offer our heart and eyes? (v.8) Is this merely in the physical, or also spiritual?
- **17.** How might you have experienced this as you look for Him among His creation?
- **18.** Read Psalm 139:14. What is our right response as we ponder our place in creation?
- **19.** Read 1 Peter 1:8-9. How might this truth be experienced in greater measure as we ponder Him among His creation?
- **20.** What joys have you known by beholding and encountering His creation? What has filled you with awe and wonder?
- **21.** How can spending time with and in His creation help us seek to understand God's overall design for life?
- **22.** How can observing creation show us how we are to live?

Point to ponder: God gave us endless beauty and provision for living within His creation. If we want to know God more, let us look to His creation. *For all things were made by Him and for Him.*