

Psalms 19

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The Heavens Declare the Glory of God

- 1** The heavens declare the glory of God; and the firmament sheweth his handywork.
- 2** Day unto day uttereth speech, and night unto night sheweth knowledge.
- 3** There is no speech nor language, where their voice is not heard.
- 4** Their line is gone out through all the earth, and their words to the end of the world. In them hath he set a tabernacle for the sun,
- 5** Which is as a bridegroom coming out of his chamber, and rejoiceth as a strong man to run a race.
- 6** His going forth is from the end of the heaven, and his circuit unto the ends of it: and there is nothing hid from the heat thereof.

- 7** The law of the LORD is perfect, converting the soul: the testimony of the LORD is sure, making wise the simple.
- 8** The statutes of the LORD are right, rejoicing the heart: the commandment of the LORD is pure, enlightening the eyes.
- 9** The fear of the LORD is clean, enduring for ever: the judgments of the LORD are true and righteous altogether.
- 10** More to be desired are they than gold, yea, than much fine gold: sweeter also than honey and the honeycomb.
- 11** Moreover by them is thy servant warned: and in keeping of them there is great reward.

12 Who can understand his errors? cleanse thou me from secret faults.

13 Keep back thy servant also from presumptuous sins; let them not have dominion over me: then shall I be upright, and I shall be innocent from the great transgression.

14 Let the words of my mouth, and the meditation of my heart, be acceptable in thy sight, O LORD, my strength, and my redeemer.

HEBREW & GREEK WORD STUDIES

God — אֱלֹהִים (Elohim)

God (plural of majesty)

The Hebrew **Elohim** (אֱלֹהִים) is a plural form denoting majesty and fullness of deity. Though grammatically plural, it takes singular verbs when referring to the one true God, suggesting the Trinity's plurality within unity.

Heaven — שָׁמַיִם (Shamayim)

Heaven, sky

The Hebrew **shamayim** (שָׁמַיִם) means heaven or sky—God's dwelling place and the realm above earth. 'The heaven, even the heavens, are the LORD's' (Psalm 115:16), yet 'the heaven of heavens cannot contain Him' (1 Kings 8:27).

Judgment — מִשְׁפָט (Mishpat)

Judgment, justice

The Hebrew **mishpat** (מִשְׁפָט) means judgment or justice—God's righteous decisions and ordinances. God is the Judge of all the earth who 'shall do right' (Genesis 18:25), executing perfect justice.

Law — תֹּורָה (Torah)

Law, instruction

The Hebrew **Torah** (תֹּורָה) means law or instruction—God's revealed will for His people. The Law includes moral, civil, and ceremonial commandments, revealing God's character and humanity's need for a Savior.

Lord — הָרָא / אֲדֹנָי (YHWH / Adonai)

The LORD / Lord

When 'LORD' appears in small capitals, it represents the Tetragrammaton **YHWH** (יהָהִי), God's personal covenant name meaning 'I AM.' When 'Lord' appears normally, it's **Adonai** (אֲדֹנָי), meaning 'my Lord,' emphasizing sovereignty.

Redeem — גָּאֵל (Gaal)

To redeem, act as kinsman-redeemer

The Hebrew **gaal** (גָּאֵל) means to redeem or act as kinsman-redeemer (go'el)—buying back family property or relatives. It foreshadows Christ redeeming His people through His blood.

Transgression — עַבְدָה (Pesha)

Transgression, rebellion

The Hebrew **pesha** (עַבְדָה) means transgression or rebellion—willful violation of God's law. It implies deliberate revolt against divine authority: 'he was wounded for our transgressions' (Isaiah 53:5).

CROSS REFERENCES

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Parallel theme: Psalms 8:3; 33:6; 115:16; Daniel 12:3. **References God:** Psalms 50:6

Psalms 19:2 **Parallel theme:** Psalms 74:16; Genesis 8:22; Isaiah 38:19

Psalms 19:3 **Parallel theme:** Deuteronomy 4:19

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Word: Romans 10:18. **Parallel theme:** Psalms 98:3; 104:2; Isaiah 49:6; Malachi 4:2

Psalms 19:5 **Parallel theme:** Isaiah 61:10; 62:5

Psalms 19:6 **Parallel theme:** Job 22:14; Ecclesiastes 1:5; Colossians 1:23

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