

### 1: 10 Bible verses on the glory of God in creation | Christian News on Christian Today

*The heavens declare the glory of God, and the expanse proclaims the work of his hands. Contemporary English Version  
The heavens keep telling the wonders of God, and the skies declare what he has done.*

The poet is even now gazing at the sky, not philosophising on a familiar natural phenomenon, nor is he merely enjoying beauty. Not only is his aesthetic faculty satisfied, but his spirit, his religious nature is moved. He has an immediate apprehension, an intuition of God. He is looking on the freshness of the morning, and all he sees is telling of God, bringing God before him. This constitutes the essence of the greater part of Hebrew poetry. This is the inspiration of the bard of Israel--a religious inspiration. The lower, the aesthetic perception of beauty, is ready at every moment to pass into the higher, the religious emotion. All truly great poetry partakes of this elevation--Hebrew poetry in its highest degree. Pulpit Commentary Verse 1. David is perhaps carrying out his declared intention Psalm And the firmament showeth his handywork. On "the firmament," see Genesis 1: It is the entire atmosphere enveloping the earth, in which the clouds hang and the birds move. Matthew Henry Commentary The counter-changing of day and night is a great proof of the power of God, and calls us to observe, that, as in the kingdom of nature, so in that of providence, he forms the light, and creates the darkness, Isa The sun in the firmament is an emblem of the Sun of righteousness, the Bridegroom of the church, and the Light of the world, diffusing Divine light and salvation by his gospel to the nations of the earth. He delights to bless his church, which he has espoused to himself; and his course will be unwearied as that of the sun, till the whole earth is filled with his light and salvation. Let us pray for the time when he shall enlighten, cheer, and make fruitful every nation on earth, with the blessed salvation. They have no speech or language, so some read it, and yet their voice is heard. All people may hear these preachers speak in their own tongue the wonderful works of God. Let us give God the glory of all the comfort and benefit we have by the lights of heaven, still looking above and beyond them to the Sun of righteousness.

### 2: The Heavens Declare The Glory of God - RedGraceMedia | Evangelical, Evangelistic, and Reformed

*Because "the heavens declare the glory of God," we can be confident in using science to explore. The more we know about the world around us, the more glory we give to God. The more we discover, the more evidence we have that He is the One responsible for nature and its laws.*

Since the beginning of the church, Christians have affirmed this insight and joined together with the creation pictured in Psalm 19 to worship God. Many of those vibrant believers were monks and nuns who set their lives apart for prayer and memorizing Scripture; but these monastic Christians also tended the garden of creation where the Lord had placed them. Here they were taking after Jewish thinkers like scholar Philo of Alexandria c. In it when I choose I can read the words of God. The Wonder of Creation in print. Subscribe now to get future print issues in your mailbox donation requested but not required. Basil of Caesarea c. He referenced Romans 1: Cascading Glory But what does the book of nature teach? Pseudo-Dionysius, a Syrian monk who lived in the late fifth or early sixth century, thoroughly explored this worldview. But there is something more. Inspired by the Father, each procession of the Light spreads itself generously toward us, and it stirs us by lifting us up. It returns us back to the oneness and deifying simplicity of the Father who gathers us in. Growing in the Garden Monastic writings passed on this lofty theology of creation to later generations, and the monastic lifestyle truly communicated an appreciation of nature. Humble and down-to-earth, this strand of monastic life cultivated gardens and tended fields. The Rule of Saint Benedict Benedict lived c. Those are truly monks, asserted Benedict, who work with their hands to bring in the harvest. In this rhythm of life, manual labor was not simply a tool to provide food for the community, it was an essential spiritual exercise. Tilling the good earth humis nurtured humility humilitas a pun in Latin. As monks and nuns worked their gardens, they may have seen parallels to the cultivation of their own spiritual lives. Thousands of Benedictine monasteries dotted Europe in the Middle Ages. But the Cistercian Order, established in and following the Rule, particularly emphasized cultivation of the land. One chronicler described the Abbey of Rievaulx: These are clothed by trees of various sorts providing for the monks a kind of second paradise of wooded delight. But in the Middle Ages, such methods kept many from starvation. Hildegard wrote on the spiritual life, theology, natural science, and herbal medicine. She also penned the first known morality play and composed music and texts for liturgical works. O fire of the Spirit, Comforter, Life of the life of every creature, Holy are you, giving life to all forms. Ultimately Hildegard placed her study into its cosmic context. Following the beloved By far the monastic figure best known for his appreciation of nature is Francis of Assisi c. Originally an unlikely candidate for an association with the humble creatures of the field, Francis was reared in wealth, wearing the finest silk clothes and best fashions of the day. After his conversion, however, Francis abandoned such luxury and adopted the simple life of poverty. Sleeping on the ground in stalls intended for cattle, eating food donated by others, and donning the coarse brown robe and rope belt of peasants, Francis and the Friars Minor Little Brothers lived close to the earth. After full days of ministry tending lepers on the verge of death or preaching from village to village Francis would sneak into the woods to spend half the night in prayer. Several times each year he would pull away from ministry to take day retreats at the Carceri, a woodland ravine nestled in the mountains several kilometers above Assisi. In this wilderness setting, Francis and the other friars would pray as they consumed only bread and water and slept on the hard ground. In addition they traveled several times to Mount La Verna for extended solitude. There, among the rugged rocks, Francis had his most overwhelming encounter with God in Known for preaching to a flock of birds and taming a wolf that had terrorized the citizens of Gubbio, Francis ultimately befriended all of nature. As Francis lay dying, he requested to be placed naked upon the ground, in imitation of our Lord. Simple, poor, and embracing the earth, he repeated his beautiful canticle sidebar as he passed into eternity. Beginning at the lowest rung, physical creation, we can ascend to God, the source of all, in breathless contemplation, Bonaventure thought. Therefore, open your eyes, alert the ears of your spirit, open your lips and apply your heart so that in all creatures you may see, hear, praise, love and worship, glorify and honor your God. Every creature is a word of God. If I spend enough time with the tiniest creature even a caterpillar I would

never have to prepare a sermon. So full of God is every creature. From sixteenth-century missions in China to renowned universities today, Jesuit scholars distinguish themselves by their study of astronomy, biology, and other disciplines of science. Benedictines, Cistercians, Franciscans, and other orders continue to tend orchards, vineyards, woodlands, and pastures. Read it in context here! Myers is professor of church history and theological studies at Crown College and author of *Seeking Spiritual Intimacy: Journeying Deeper with Medieval Women of Faith*. He blogs on spirituality at Deep Wells.

## 3: The Heavens Declare - The Heavens Declare Ministry

*"The heavens declare the glory of God " would be more literally translated recount, because it's the word used for actual counting and numbering. When you say that someone recounts a story, however, there's a sense that they are including every part of the story, bit by bit.*

The Celestial Message hardcover book available here Psalm The heavens declare the glory of God; and the firmament sheweth his handiwork. Day unto day uttereth speech, and night unto night sheweth knowledge. There is no speech nor language, where their voice is not heard. Their line is gone out through all the earth, and their words to the end of the world. Big , Bright, and Dusty Dust storm beginning on Mars. It appears much brighter than normal since it reached opposition this summer on July 27th. It grew in size until it completely covered the planet on June The rust colored dust hides the dark surface features on Mars causing it to appear brighter than normal. Ordinarily, this would be a great time to check out Mars in telescope but the global dust storm is making surface features hard to see. Thankfully the storm appears to be subsiding and things should return to normal after a few weeks or months. Global view of a Martian Dust Storm. Nasa has compiled data from satellites into a mesmerizing simulation that shows smoke, sea salt and dust carried on wind currents around the globe. By watching the video you can see the prevailing winds and air circulation patterns, the hurricanes during the hurricane season, the CA wildfires, the Saharan dust, cold fronts moving in from the NW, and other things. For some they may only be a distraction as they rush inside to crouch before a glowing screen. The attention span they hold is too short to reach the stars. After all, the stars are there every night, right? And when something is repeatedly and endlessly presented before us we tend to become uninterested and unmoved by it. Others see more because their sense of wonder is never satisfied. They have the intrinsic ability to soak in the reality of what they are observing. All this culminates into a crescendo when they gaze upward into the expansive dome of the heavens. They are lost in wonder and awe, and are left feeling like a speck of dust that is swallowed up by everything, yet lost in nothingness in the middle of nowhere. An astronomer with a fertile, imaginative mind will not see just white dots, nor will he simply see stars, but will be acutely aware of all the mysterious celestial objects that fill the glistening night like the superstar quasars, bizarre magnetars, pulsating pulsars, magnificent meteors, and boisterous black holes that seize unsuspecting stars. These all scattered through gargantuan galaxies that spout spontaneous supernovas and host hoards of parading planets which orbit the shimmering stars. This entire cosmic realm is inundated with intense radiation in the form of gamma rays, x-rays, and ultraviolet rays that erode dust veils, light up gas clouds, and shape nebulae. Although, at times this astronomer sees so many components that he misses the whole. So absorbed is he in the deeper specifics of the cosmos that he looks beyond and misses the allure of the simple beauty at the surface of this stellar dome. Some miss the very point of the heavenly host reflecting the glory of their Creator, someone much greater than the shining lights, but consider the stars to be an end in themselves and imagine that they reach all the way across the empty void of space to touch them with a stealthy influence that controls their own lives. As the signs of the zodiac pinwheel overhead, these astrologers pore over their futile horoscopes in hopes of finding their fortune or fate locked up in the secrets of the stars. But this type of an alignment would have no effect on earth. What happened as a result of the alignment? Like the Bible says, seedtime and harvest, day and night continue on as this planet awaits the return of its Maker. So what are the flickering lights there for? It depends on who you ask. However, the one who made them gives the correct answer; He revealed to us they were made for His pleasure and to show His glory. What He takes pleasure in, He wants us to delight in as well! They were also made for our profit to show times and seasons. The earth was not made for the universe, but the universe for the Earth. The easiest way to do this is to: Hold a finger in front of the image. Keep your eyes crossed and slowly pull the finger away, allowing you to focus on the center image. The Bubble Nebula is 7 light-years across " about one-and-a-half times the distance from our sun to its nearest stellar neighbor, Alpha Centauri " and resides 7, light-years from Earth in the constellation Cassiopeia. The seething star forming this nebula is 45 times more massive than our sun. Gas on the star gets so hot that it escapes away into space as a "stellar wind" moving at over 4 million miles

per hour. This outflow sweeps up the cold, interstellar gas in front of it, forming the outer edge of the bubble much like a snowplow piles up snow in front of it as it moves forward.

### 4: Psalm The heavens declare the glory of God; the skies proclaim the work of His hands.

*Psalm 19 - For the director of music. A psalm of David. The heavens declare the glory of God; the skies proclaim the work of his hands. Day after day they pour forth speech; night after night they reveal.*

A psalm of David. Day after day they pour forth speech; night after night they display knowledge. There is no speech or language where their voice is not heard. Their voice goes out into all the earth, their words to the ends of the world. In the heavens he has pitched a tent for the sun, which is like a bridegroom coming forth from his pavilion, like a champion rejoicing to run his course. It rises at one end of the heavens and makes its circuit to the other; nothing is hidden from its heat. The law of the LORD is perfect, reviving the soul. The statutes of the LORD are trustworthy, making wise the simple. The precepts of the LORD are right, giving joy to the heart. The commands of the LORD are radiant, giving light to the eyes. The fear of the LORD is pure, enduring for ever. The ordinances of the LORD are sure and altogether righteous. They are more precious than gold, than much pure gold; they are sweeter than honey, than honey from the comb. By them is your servant warned; in keeping them there is great reward. Its view of God is served by its majestic inspiring poetry. It challenges our intellect and our affections. Its presence in the world as its words address you now is a proof of the existence of God. How bereft the church would have been having to survive for 3, years without this glorious psalm, never having heard a sermon on it. How immediate this psalm is, how existential, and dynamic, and relevant. Tonight, as you go home, and see the sun setting over the Bay the colours different because of the dust in the air from the Iceland volcano, the heavens will be telling you of the glory of God. That will be God following you, God speaking to you; the God of the Bible. How much does our age and our community needs the reminder of this psalm at so many different levels. David was surrounded by nations that actually worshipped the sun, moon and stars. They kissed their hand to the host of heaven. Little has changed in 3, years. It is the same time as the Kumbh Mela festival and this year is especially important to the Hindus because of a certain alignment of the sun, moon and stars. They believe that washing in the freezing Ganges on this occasion will remove their sins. Hindu feelings run very high during these weeks and Christian gatherings can be attacked and special meetings are considered provocative, all because of how millions of people read the stars. Yet they are utterly inconsistent. They also long for some overall principle to guide them. Chance itself cannot satisfy, and so numbers of them will turn to their horoscopes and check their star signs. They will read their favourite astrologer in the belief that the position of a distant sun and the ambit of some of the planets of our solar system will tell them what choices they should make in big decisions this week "€" whether they should marry this person or not. The Christian also looks at the sun, moon and stars, but he does not hold any of those views. David is telling us that the world around and above us is the media by which God is speaking to mankind and speaking very forcefully. He is not whispering or hinting to people on this planet that he is glorious. They are flooding the whole world day by day. The message from the creation cannot be gagged. It is not that one day there is some freak meteorological condition and on that day the heavens fail to speak this message, or they are saying something else about another god, or no god. There is always this speech; it is never silenced, and its language and its voice is heard going out into all the earth, to its very ends v. Media are the ways and means by which a message with a certain content comes to us. All the politicians are using all the media they can at this moment to reach us with their messages. So David is telling us that God uses means to communicate with the people who live on this planet. God speaks through his creation; it has been made with such skill and beauty that it has one utterly clear and consistent message. It is the divine media by which his word gets through to the human race. It is a declaration of himself via nature; it is a natural revelation. It is available to everyone, to a banker in the City of London, or a tribe in the remotest spot on earth which has hardly any contact with anyone else. They too are receiving this revelation because it is a general revelation through creation to every single person on this planet. Just think of that, that no one is ignorant of God. Simply by opening your eyes and ears and seeing the creation you are looking at divinely created and sustained media which are bringing their message that God is, and that he is powerful and glorious. Do you see at the end of verse four that the sun is introduced quite abruptly? David is talking of the

sun and the moon and the stars. The sun dominates everything above us. It keeps all mankind and everything that lives and moves alive. There would be nothing without the sun. It dominates the world, exultant, magnificent, and yet it is not a law unto itself. I will zigzag across the heavens and then take a little rest and go down for a while and then pop up again. God has pitched a tent for the sun, and that tent is the sky, stretching from one horizon to the other. Maybe you have been out in the prairies of Canada where the land is flat for hundreds of miles and there is a big sky. Off he goes on his course, and how we welcome the sun after the long dark night. What total panic there would be if he did not appear! The sun, so glorious, but all his glory is the glory of God its Creator. He steps down from the state coach and he faces the eyes of all the world – the most powerful and handsome of all bridegrooms making his long anticipated appearance on this day. Or again David has another simile, that of a champion athlete; the sun is like a fabulous gold medal winner at all dozen individual races in the Olympics, metres, metres hurdles, metres, metres, metres hurdles, metres, metres, metres, 3, metres steeplechase, metres, 10, metres, and the marathon. This champion has left the blocks, starting each race and won them all! He has enjoyed every race and each victory. Without him was not anything made that was made. It is a glorious sight, the sun setting forth each day and sending out light and warmth and health and energy as year succeeds year. It was God who thought of creating a sun. He designed it and the whole solar system. He made the earth, and he placed the sun 93 million miles away from it. Further, and we would be freezing always; nearer and we would have been fried to a frazzle. The next nearest sun to our earth is 25 trillion miles away, a little twinkling star. None of these details is a matter of luck. The hands of God did it. He can hold the sun and not get burned. So the heavens are telling his glory and power. Thus I have said to you that there is a revelation of God in this world and it leaves you without excuse for disbelieving in him. Students who took philosophy here in the 60s and 70s were regaled with his approach to reality. He was quoted as the great authority on philosophy – Anthony Flew. As a man he was tall, angular and energetic; he had been one of the most well known atheists of his generation, but a couple of years ago he repudiated his atheism. He became an apostate atheist. What had persuaded him that God exists was the testimony of God in creation, particularly the findings of 50 years of DNA research which he believed had given us materials for a new and enormously powerful argument that the world had been designed; the cosmos had not come about by a lucky accident. Arguments for a God of power and intelligence were now much stronger than ever before, he said. He wrote a book in entitled, *There Is a God: So in the example of his change we have another little indication that the knowledge of God is displayed in the earth. Now how can I use the revelation of God in his creation? Let me turn it two ways, firstly as Paul used it in when he had gone with Barnabas to Lystra. There he appealed to the Greek idol-worshippers of that city, dismissing their bankrupt religion and telling them of the living Creator. In the past, he let all nations go their own way. Yet he has not left himself without testimony: This is our message to you that God made the world and everything in it. He has been the same God showing personal kindness to you, though you have been ignoring him for years, blessing you with prosperity and with this beautiful spring weather, full refrigerators, cupboards packed with food and drink, shelves lined with books, walls hung with paintings, music centres full of CDs of the best compositions of the ages. He is the one who has given you your joyful hearts on all the many happy days you have known. You are in debt to the God who has blessed you richly; his testimony is in the heavens above you and the gifts you have received from him. Paul also wrote a similar message to the Romans but also with warning: For although they knew God, they neither glorified him as God nor gave thanks to him, but their thinking became futile and their foolish hearts were darkened. You will not come to have the Bible explained to you but God will still tell you about himself. The heavens are telling you that God is infinitely powerful, wise and glorious. God has made that plain to you.*

### 5: 'Do the heavens declare the glory of God?' | Deseret News

*The heavens declare the glory of God Psalm 19 p - Duration: Roy Hoornstra 13, views. The heavens declare the glory of God Psalm - Duration:*

And yes, I am aware they enhance it with colors and merge many photos to come up with the pictures, but the fact is, they are real. I can just imagine there are even greater things in deep space than we will ever be able to see in this life. Sometimes when I look at such photos, I mentally hear the passage from Psalm 19, set to music by Haydn, that I sang so many times with several choruses. Here is the Mormon Tabernacle Choir version of this anthem *The other day I saw this fabulous picture of our Earth home: King David wrote this psalm specifically to be sung, according to the Bible. A psalm of David. The heavens declare the glory of God; the skies proclaim the work of his hands. This quilt is currently missing, possibly stolen. This one had some design issues that I would like to correct anyway. Since posting this blog, my quilt has been foundâ€the church had it in their Christmas decorationsâ€so now I can get it appraised and give it to the church. Almost every week I see some picture showing a space scene I would like to create a quilt from. As seen from Earth, the galaxy is tilted nearly edge-on. We view it from just six degrees north of its equatorial plane. This brilliant galaxy was named the Sombrero because of its resemblance to the broad rim and high-topped Mexican hat. The Sombrero lies at the southern edge of the rich Virgo cluster of galaxies and is one of the most massive objects in that group, equivalent to billion suns. The galaxy is 50, light-years across and is located 28 million light-years from Earth. The ages of the clusters are similar to the clusters in the Milky Way, ranging from billion years old. Embedded in the bright core of M is a smaller disk, which is tilted relative to the large disk. X-ray emission suggests that there is material falling into the compact core, where a 1-billion-solar-mass black hole resides. In the 19th century, some astronomers speculated that M was simply an edge-on disk of luminous gas surrounding a young star, which is prototypical of the genesis of our solar system. But in , astronomer V. Slipher discovered that the hat-like object appeared to be rushing away from us at miles per second. This enormous velocity offered some of the earliest clues that the Sombrero was really another galaxy, and that the universe was expanding in all directions. V Monocerotis Merry Christmas my friends. I send this even to those of you who do not celebrate this time as the birth of Jesus, I hope you have an especially beautiful time during this time.*

## 6: Heavens Declare, Inc.

*Chapter The glory of God's works. His holiness and grace as shown in his word. Prayer for the benefit of them.. Verses The heavens so declare the glory of God, and proclaim his wisdom, power, and goodness, that all ungodly men are left without excuse. They speak themselves to be works of God's hands; for they must have a Creator who is eternal, infinitely wise, powerful, and good. The.*

Email Brethren, I am honored to be with you this evening. In my professional life I associate with some very well-known and accomplished people, both astronauts and scientists. As an astronaut, I am a member of several scientific and governmental organizations. But I can honestly tell you that I am more impressed to be a member of the priesthood of this Church than of any other organization to which I belong. The other organizations are organizations of men. It is an honor to belong to them, but they will last only a few years. The priesthood will last forever. I am more anxious to be worthy to associate with you brethren of the priesthood than with any other group of men I have ever worked with. Just after last April conference I was getting ready to take one of the most exciting trips that I can imagine. On April 29 our crew rode the space shuttle Challenger into orbit to conduct a scientific mission called Spacelab 3. This was a personal thrill for me and a very impressive ride. Most of you, I am sure, have seen a space shuttle lift-off on television. I was surprised how calm I felt as we strapped into our seats about two and one-half hours before lift-off. As the count moved closer and closer to launch, I allowed myself just a little bit of excitement. When I heard the rumble of the main engines coming up to speed way down below me, the adrenaline flow picked up noticeably. And when I heard that incredible thunderclap of the solid rocket boosters lighting off and felt Challenger lift off, I was as excited as a little boy going to the circus. With seven and one-half million pounds of thrust pressing you back into your seat with three times your normal weight, you quickly pick up speed. By the time the fuel runs out, you want to be going fast enough so that centrifugal force will keep you in orbit—and that takes 17, miles per hour. Traveling at that speed is quite an experience. As we went into orbit, we traveled from Cape Canaveral, which is in Florida, to north of Boston in just over eight minutes. When you reach orbital velocity, the engines shut down rather abruptly. It is very quiet. I floated up against my shoulder straps. A couple of the procedure books drifted up to the end of their tethers and waved in front of me as I have seen the kelp do when I go scuba diving. I knew that this was zero gravity. And I just sat in my seat for a few minutes savoring the fact that I was finally in space. For the next week our crew conducted a set of fifteen rather sophisticated experiments in the laboratory that was mounted in the cargo bay of the space shuttle. The ride into orbit had been exciting. The trip out of orbit was not quite as novel, because by then I was quite used to space. But it was just as serious. When you are properly trained, you are not frightened in any sense. But you have a great respect for the tremendous energy involved and thus for the inherent risk. You are well aware that every procedure has to be performed precisely right. We were to land at Edwards Air Force Base just north of Los Angeles, but we started our reentry just to the northeast of the island of Madagascar. We swept down south of Australia and up across the Pacific Ocean as we came home. The reentry is quite demanding. There is no way that you can carry enough fuel into orbit to slow down by rocket propulsion. You have just enough fuel to nudge your orbit down into the upper edge of the atmosphere. You come into the atmosphere in the worst possible aerodynamic attitude—belly first. This creates a terrible aerodynamic shock wave. But the shock wave slows you down without using a drop of rocket fuel. Your kinetic energy is converted into the heat of the shock wave. This is all very clever, except for the fact that the shock wave is fifty-four hundred degrees Fahrenheit, which is well above the melting point of astronauts. That is why we worry so much about the thermal tiles on the underside of the shuttle. During reentry they glow red hot. In fact, the very air around the shuttle glows red hot. From the ground we look exactly like a meteor crossing the sky. Looking out the windows through that fireball is a fairly impressive experience. You realize that you are in a fiery furnace significantly hotter than the furnace prepared for Shadrach, Meshach, and Abed-nego. The space shuttle on which our lives depended worked flawlessly. I am personally convinced that the Lord was watching over us. I had been promised that in a special blessing I received before lift-off. That blessing was fulfilled in every

detail, and I thank our Heavenly Father for that. I am sure the general image of space flight is one of impressive machines and billowing flames and the precision of high technology. That is not incorrect. But for me, there were also many special, personal, private feelings. Some of them were fun. Living in weightlessness is delightful. The Peter Pan ability to float to any corner of the laboratory and perch like a sparrow on the slightest protrusion made me feel as though I was living my little boy dreams. Some of my personal feelings were very spiritual. To look down on the earth from space is absolutely incredible. I knew ahead of time just exactly what I was going to see. I was intellectually prepared, but I was not prepared emotionally for what I saw. The world is very large. But to see this huge, magnificent sphere slowly rotating beneath me was overwhelming. I have no ability to describe what it was really like, and no photographic emulsion can even start to do it justice. The visibility, of course, was excellent. But I was amazed at the intensity of the colors. And when you look at an archipelago of islands, there are hundreds of shades of blue and green and yellow tan that are just beyond description. The first time I had a minute to stop and just look at the earth, the absolute beauty of the scene brought tears to my eyes. In weightlessness tears do not just quietly roll down your cheeks. They stay in front of your eyeballs and get bigger and bigger and in a few moments you feel like a guppy looking up through the surface of the aquarium. Now, try to imagine what it was like for me to have that scene in front of me and then have the fragments of half a dozen scriptures pop into my mind. I am sure you can imagine the closeness I felt to my Father in Heaven as I looked down at one of His beautiful creations. I was really stirred by an increased awareness of what He did for us as the Creator of our earth. That was one of the most moving experiences of my life. Another experience that is very close to me was to have the sacrament in orbit. We were in space for a full week, so of course, we were up there on a Sunday. Our bishop had given me permission to hold my own sacrament service. It was a little unusual. You priests in the audience might consider what it would be like to try to kneel down in weightlessness—you keep drifting off. For privacy I held my sacrament service in my sleep station—something like a Pullman berth. I kneeled on what you would think of as the ceiling and braced my shoulders against my sleeping bag so I would not float away. It was a very special experience. I will remember that sacrament service and the renewing of my baptismal covenants high above the earth all my life. It had some of that special feeling that you usually have only when you go to the temple. Shortly after the flight I had the opportunity to show Sister Sharlene Wells, our Miss America, around the space center. I explained that in space you always feel right side up and stationary. The earth turns below you. Later at a fireside, Sister Wells made a comment about that situation that I think is very meaningful. In many things we do, the world thinks we are completely upside down. They think our moral values are foolish, our standards are restrictive, and our beliefs are quaint but outdated. The important thing is that we make sure that we keep ourselves right side up, aligned with the Lord, even if it makes the whole world look upside down. It took me a long time, many years of preparation, to make it into orbit. I learned that persistence pays off. I also learned that you have to be prepared when the opportunity comes. I started preparing for the space program long before there was a space program. I could pass the six-day astronaut physical examination because I had lived the Word of Wisdom all my life. When they started accepting applications for the astronaut program, I had already completed my education.

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*An illustration of God's Glory with His creation of Nebula and other awesome wonders in space. Awesome! This is an arrangement by Morten Lauridsen. This is the best arrangement of O Magnum.*

The Heavens Declare the Glory of God: Psalm 19, part 1 by Tami Jelinek Listen to Tami read this article here: Red Sandstone Cliffs at Bryce Canyon Many of us are familiar with this passage, and have understood it to speak of a general revelation from nature of the existence of God, and the beauty of His creation. It is a whole new world. You might even say it is a whole new heavens and earth. We are the heavens, and it is our purpose, our glory, to declare His glory. Let us consider this as we look at Psalm Compare this personification of heavens uttering speech to: At first we might say that is a nice application, or spiritualization of a passage speaking about nature. Yes verily, their sound went into all the earth, and their words unto the ends of the world. Compare the tabernacle for the sun to: We should see from the context that the "sun" here refers to Christ, and this will be further confirmed later in the psalm. The Ephesians passage speaks of us being "built together" in Christ for a "habitation of God. Compare His rejoicing to: Now compare His running the race to: The race that was set before those first century believers: He ran it first. He was the author and finisher. We know that in the New Covenant, the New Heavens and Earth, we are fully in His presence, having been made the very righteousness of God by the power of the cross. He rejoices over us and lives in us. Keeping our context in mind, and having established that we are the heavens, and what we declare is the gospel or glory of God, and that Christ dwells in us and goes before us with joy; it is no surprise that here in verse 6 it is not merely the message going forth, but the sun Son Himself. The glory we, the heavens, declare is Christ. And there is nothing hidden from its His heat. Compare this omnipresent heat of the sun to: For believers, upon understanding who the heavens are, and what the glory is they declare, this passage can become again what we thought it was about before. Looking up at the stars, we will still be reminded of the glory of God displayed through His creation. But now more than that, looking up at the stars, we will preeminently be reminded of the glory of God displayed through His New Creation. Tami and her husband of twenty-six years, Keith, reside in Auburn Hills, Michigan. They have three grown children. Exploring portraits of Christ and His kingdom in the Old Testament is the primary focus of her studies. Tami and Keith enjoy traveling, and love to fill their home with friends and family who share their fondness for good food, good wine, and great conversation. The Heavens Declare the Glory of God! And it is true, that unlike the atheist, we as believers have been given the ability to thank God for "creation. We need to be pursuing a view of Creation which magnifies the glory of redemption for that is indeed the story the Creation tells--and the "glory the heavens declare" and that also highlights the true beauty of the fulfilled eschatological perspective: As we see the covenant creation revealed through the cosmological creation, they both become more marvelous in our eyes. The Law of the Lord is Perfect:

## 8: The Glory of God

*The Heavens Declare the Glory of God's Faithfulness Look up to the heavens and see how day follows night and night follows day and see the glory of God's faithfulness. Many years ago Carla and I were guests at someone's home.*

Another friend quipped that he regrets saying in January that he could hardly wait for the first mosquito bite. Of course, mosquitoes are not the only cause of suffering, difficulty and trial. There are many much more serious things which we struggle with. There is all the rain and disease and conflict and tornadoes and evil and the list goes on. These things blur our vision so that we are not able to see the glory of God. But if we see the glory of God, what difference will it make? Will seeing the glory of God take away the mosquitoes? What will seeing the glory of God do for us while we swat mosquitoes? Glory refers to that which is the best. It refers to that which is so amazing you can hardly describe it. I invite you to look to the heavens. I want to ask for a volunteer, a strong young man who thinks he can hold up this glass of water for a long time. On the second day of creation we read in Genesis 1: And it was so. But because of the great rain storms we have had recently, the waters above the expanse have come to make a lot of sense. How long would he be able to hold it up? My yard is 2 acres. If half an inch of rain fell on that yard the rain collected would weigh , pounds. Can you imagine the weight of water held in the clouds which roll across the sky from the Pacific Ocean all the way to Rosenort and Riverside? Your thunder was heard in the whirlwind, your lightning lit up the world; the earth trembled and quaked. Your path led through the sea, your way through the mighty waters, though your footprints were not seen. When I went to university, I began with the intention of taking a major in economics and a minor in philosophy. During my second year, I had to take a science course and took a course which mostly studied weather and climate. I so enjoyed the course that I changed my minor to geography and most of the courses I took in geography were in weather and climate because I was so fascinated by the way the weather system works. For example, did you know that at the equator and at the poles the prevailing winds go from east to west. In the whole rest of the world the prevailing winds go from west to east. That is why when Sylvia describes the weather systems, she always shows us what is coming from Colorado or Alberta. The reason for this weather system is that the earth is warmest at the equator. If there was no way to move all that hot air away from the equator, all that lived there would soon burn up and the cold at the poles would move even further south. The earth is really a big engine which moves air from the equator to the poles and so cools the equator and heats the poles. Another fascinating part of the weather system is the way in which low pressure systems create enormous lift so that huge amounts of moisture are lifted off the surface of the oceans and lakes. They form clouds and travel thousands of miles to drop rain far inland where there is little surface water. How did God ever conceive such amazing systems? What is the right amount of sunshine and rain? If you listen to the weather forecast on TV, you get the impression that sunshine is necessary all the time, especially on the weekend so that people can enjoy the outdoors. Right now we would be quite happy if it did not rain for a long time. We have gotten a little tired of the rain and all the damage it has caused. But I have lived in places and visited places where people desired rain with an even greater desperation than we now desire sunshine. In Israel I saw the barley crops in the Negev. The Negev is a desert region southeast of Jerusalem. In the lowest valleys the farmer had planted his crops hoping that any rain that came would find its way to these low spots. But the crop was very poor. It was a small patch and there were few stocks of barley. The shepherds spoke of it as a disaster. Last year when I was in Paraguay, all the people were speaking of the desperation they had for water. Their only source of water is the rain. They have huge roofs on their houses that collect water into cisterns and their cisterns were getting empty. These things happen and we either long for rain or for sunshine, but over the whole earth and over the years, we find that there is a balance between rain sunshine. Plants need moisture to draw nutrients from the ground and they need sunshine so photosynthesis can take place. Both are needed for plants to grow and God provides both. Because He does, we have a picture of the glory of His goodness. He covers the sky with clouds; he supplies the earth with rain and makes grass grow on the hills. He provides food for the cattle and for the young ravens when they call. I would like to have a few volunteers. I need someone to hold this globe, which represents the earth. We are

going to do a little representative math. If this represents the sun, how far away from the earth would the sun be? Sun is 93 cm away. The nearest star is Alpha Centauri which is about 4. Start walking and when you think you are far enough you can stop. And see how lofty are the highest stars! We have only talked about the nearest stars. If we can begin to wrap our head around these great distances, we can begin to get a little idea of the infinity of God. That infinity extends not only to the furthest reaches of the universe, but also to the furthest reaches of time. We had gone to their place to see if their church would hire us to be their pastor for the summer. This was between my second and third year of seminary. We arrived at their place in the afternoon and enjoyed their kind hospitality for supper and met some of the people of the church. When it came time for sleep, they took us down into the basement of the house and showed us into the bedroom. The bed looked comfortable and we were glad to get to sleep. When morning came, we had no idea that it was morning. The room had no window in it and no light came through the door. For all we knew, day had not yet come. We wondered what time it was, we wondered if we should get up, we wondered if we should go back to sleep. What we did not wonder was if day would come. Eventually they came and knocked on the door and we knew it was morning. Morning came, like it comes every day. Morning came, like it has come every day since God set days in place at creation. The cycle of day and night is something we can count on. Weather may be unpredictable, winter may come late or early, sunrise times change through the year, but there is no doubt that the cycle of day and night will always come. When we look at the sky it looks pretty big. We can see from the western horizon to the eastern horizon. Have you ever tried to measure the sky by stretching out your arm and seeing how many hand widths it is from horizon to horizon? The circumference of the earth at the equator is 40, km. If we were to define the heavens as the layer at which airplanes fly, most jets fly about 10 km up in the air. The circumference at that level would be about 40,km. The Bible tells us in Isaiah He actually is able to measure the heavens, whether at the level of the earth at the equator or the level at which airplanes fly with his spread hand. Does He measure km at a time? This kind of thinking invites us to think about the greatness of God. When we speak of the heavens, we are not talking about a two dimensional thing. The heavens have layers. The levels of the heavens, which actually begin at the surface of the earth, are made up of five layers – the troposphere, the stratosphere, the mesosphere, the thermosphere and the exosphere. At this level the circumference of the earth would be about 45,km. Whichever direction you think of it, God is greater than all these and is above all of these. He stretches out the heavens like a canopy, and spreads them out like a tent to live in. How glorious in His majesty and greatness! On Thursday when I was writing out this message, I looked at the forecast for today. One of the common topics of conversation at the coffee shop is the weather. We talk about what we would do if we could control the weather.

### 9: The Heavens Declare God's Glory on Vimeo

*by Harold Hemenway and Originally the stars were intended by God to "be for signs" of the Zodiac (Gen. ). Psalm says, "The heavens declare the glory of God; night after night they display knowledge (using sign language)."*

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