

GOD SPEAKS THROUGH HIS CREATION

Text: Psalm 19:1-4

Key Word: Creation

Key Thought: God Speaks out in Many Ways but Especially Through His Creation

*“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.”*

Psalm 19:1-4

*“In the past God spoke to our ancestors through the
prophets at many times and in various ways,
2. but in these last days he has spoken to us by his
Son, whom he appointed heir of all things, and
through whom also he made the universe.”*

Hebrews 1:1,2

I have spoken with many people over the years who have told me that they value their quiet times with God. In fact, they believe that even though we all have equal opportunity to spend with our Lord, that we also must guard against interference of those special times. I have definitely found that to be true in the past short while. I can say I love my times with God. I am becoming more sensitive to His voice which I'm learning in a practical manner is communicated to us in many different ways. Today I want to speak about how God speaks through His creation. The verses I just shared with you give me a foundation to build my thoughts from.

I. GOD'S SPEECH IS UNINTERRUPTED
II. GOD'S SPEECH IS OVERWHELMING
III. GOD'S SPEECH IS ALL-EMBRACING

I. GOD'S SPEECH IS UNINTERRUPTED

Ever since the time that God created the heavens and the earth He has been proclaiming His glory. Not a moment has been interrupted by anything or anything. I found it interesting to watch a video that recorded the sounds of the universe. It amazed me how diverse the sounds were. There were no specific words or language used. Some of it reminded me of the sound whales make to communicate with each other. The Psalmist declared that God didn't need sound or words to communicate with us.

We never have to ask the question "Where is God?" or "Why can't I hear Him?" Perhaps we are searching in the wrong places. Just consider how vast and complicated our universe is and the galaxies that we know of. Astrophysicists and astronomers are continually amazed by what they discover. There is no end to what they see.

"Yet their voice goes out into all the earth, their words to the ends of the world."

Psalm 19:4

King David didn't say "*their voices went out*" he said "*their voice goes out into all the earth.*" It never ceases. I'm sure that David as a shepherd witnessed many wonderful arrangements in the night sky above him. It drew him closer to God because it never ended.

I've often wondered how astrophysicists could believe in a "Big Bang Theory." The more I am shown from telescopes makes me amazed at how God keeps it all in order. We have all seen the circular shape of the sun, moon and planets. How does that happen with a massive explosion? I would think everything should be in the shape of asteroids and meteors. Why is it that our planets maintain a perfect orbit? Why is it that gravity continues to allow us to live here and we have 78.09% nitrogen. 20.95% oxygen. 0.93% argon. 0.039% carbon dioxide in our air?

Never has God's creation ever been interrupted. He speaks forth through it by simply declaring its reality.

II. GOD'S SPEECH IS OVERWHELMING

We've all been to places that "take our breath away." One such place for us was Moraine Lake in British Columbia. It's hard to find the words to describe it. It is pristine, eye catching, overwhelming.

What also makes it overwhelming is its size. Lets simply answer the question "**How Big is God's Creation?**"

1. Light Years - Scientist measure distance in the universe in what is known as "light years." Light travels the speed of 186,000 miles per second. The distance that light travels in one year is derived by multiplying the number of seconds in one year by 186,000 times. Light travels approximately six trillion miles in one year. Our universe is made up of galaxies (groupings of stars and planets). Our galaxy is called "The Milky Way." The Milky Way is 100,000 light years in diameter. Astronomers estimate that about one trillion galaxies lie within the range of our largest telescopes. Each of them have billions of stars. Man has barely scratched the surface when it comes to exploring the vastness of the universe.

2. Represented Distance - Let's say that the distance from earth to the sun (93 million miles) was represented by the thickness of one sheet paper.

- a). The nearest star (4 1/3 Light Years away) would need to stack of paper 71 feet high to represent the distance.
- b). To cover our galaxy (100,000 light years) we would require a stack of paper 310 miles high.
- c). To reach the edge of the known universe we would require enough paper to reach 31 million miles high.

3. Earth, Sun, Stars - How do all these compare with one another?

- a). If the sun were hollow, 1,300,000 earth's could fit in it.
- b). The star we call "Antares" can hold 64,000,000 of our suns.
- c). In the constellation of "Hercules" there is a star that can hold 100 million Antares stars.
- d). The largest known star is called "Epsilon" and it could easily swallow 27 billion of our suns

A second equally important question is "**How Small is God's Creation?**"

1. It takes 25 million protons laid side-by-side to span a linear inch. There are as many protons in 2 cubic inches of copper as there are drops of water in the Atlantic Ocean.

2. It is estimated that the amount of energy released by the total destruction of even one ounce of water would be sufficient to lift 20 million tons one mile above the earth.

II. GOD'S SPEECH IS OVERWHELMING (Contd.)

This invisible force within each atom varies between 10 to 50 pounds. The Bible explains how all this works.

“For by it all things were created; things in heaven and on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or powers or rulers or authorities; all things were created by him and for him.

17. He is before all things, and in him all things hold together.”

Colossians 1:16,17

Micro scientists and especially microbiologists have become the centre of many conversations in the past 30 years and especially now that we are facing COVID - 19. I wish we would give equal time and media coverage to the different studies even though they differ so much. I would like to make my own mind up instead of being told what to think and do. These things are way too overwhelming for one side to be completely correct. Government leaders this past week are now changing their minds on whether complete lock downs are helping or hindering the cure of this worldwide virus.

“I’m not an atheist. The problem involved is too vast for our limited minds. We are in the position of a little child entering a huge library filled with books in many languages. The child knows someone must have written those books. It does not know how. It does not understand the languages in which they are written. The child dimly suspects a mysterious order in the arrangement of the books but doesn’t know what it is. That, it seems to me, is the attitude of even the most intelligent human being toward God. We see the universe marvelously arranged and obeying certain laws but only dimly understand these laws.”

First published as “*What Life Means to Einstein*”
Saturday Evening Post, October 26, 1929.

Quoted in Walter Isaacson,
“*Einstein: His Life and Universe*”
New York: Simon & Schuster
2007, p. 386

III. GOD'S SPEECH IS ALL-EMBRACING

“The wrath of God is being revealed from heaven against all the godlessness and wickedness of people, who suppress the truth by their wickedness, 19. since what may be known about God is plain to them, because God has made it plain to them. 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.”

Romans 1:18-20

“Our natural understanding and the works of creation and providence so clearly show God’s goodness, wisdom, and power that human beings have no excuse for not believing in Him.”

Westminster Confession of Faith
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The apostle Paul did not back down from the foundation of God’s Word even while living in the time of heinous atrocities against the Church of Christ. The Word of the Lord was alive within him. It was a fire burning in his heart that could not be quenched. He knew the unknown god that the unsaved were attempting to worship. His God, our God is all embracing. We don’t need Him to reveal Himself to us. He already has! No one can say God hasn’t spoken to them. He simply expects us to surrender to His will and purpose for our lives.

“There is a God shaped vacuum in the heart of every man which cannot be filled by any created thing but only by God, the Creator made known through Jesus.”

Blaise Pascal

Have you responded? No response is still a response! Open your heart to Him and receive Him as your Lord and saviour and make the embracing complete.

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2. Energy released

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