## **The Fellowship Room**

## **Studies in Psalms** by <u>John T Polk II</u> For The Fellowship Room

Psalm 19 10/10/12

Vs. 1-6 show the awesome power of God's Creative Word;

Vs. 7-10 point to the awesome qualities of God's Word;

Vs. 11-14 praise the awesome effect of God's Word in a human heart.

A "Christian Evidence Textbook" simply makes observations that prove God's existence by pointing to unanswerable facts. The Bible is, therefore, a "Christian Evidence Textbook." Verses 1-6 demonstrate this, pointing to "outer space" with its vastness, set stars, and searching sun. Certainly, no interior explosion ("big bang") but the superior Power ("God") could have perfectly placed it all. God spoke it into existence (Psalm 33:9; Hebrews 11:3; Genesis 1:16). It has taken America's Voyager 35 years to reach what is believed to be the outer edge of our "Solar System."

"Launched on Sept. 5, 1977, Voyager 1 is the most distant human-made object, at about 11 billion miles (18 billion kilometers) away from our sun. Launched Aug. 20, 1977, Voyager 2 is the longest operating spacecraft, past or present. It is 9 billion miles (15 billion kilometers) away from our sun" 10/4/12, Jet Propulsion Laboratory, Pasadena, Calif.

Science is proving what the Bible has been telling us all the time: "In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth" (Genesis 1:1). The message is that everyone is without excuse who denies God's existence.

"For the wrath of God is revealed from heaven against all ungodliness and unrighteousness of men, who suppress the truth in unrighteousness, because what may be known of God is manifest in them, for God has shown it to them. For since the creation of the world His invisible attributes are clearly seen, being understood by the things that are made, even His eternal power and Godhead, so that they are without excuse" (Romans 1:18-20).

Psalm 19:4 is quoted in Romans 10:18 where it points to preaching the Gospel of Jesus Christ to all people, both Jews and Gentiles (Romans 10:12-21). The Gospel should be preached wherever the evidence for God exists!

"The heavens" speak of God, without words, by their vastness, the "stars" by their precise place, "the sun" by its function of providing heat, none of which is to be worshiped of itself, but all of which point to their Creator. Most navigation still depends upon the fixed position of some stars, and the sun's heat is essential to life on earth. Some ridicule, but continue to use, the description of the sun's "rising," but rather than pointing to movement of the sun, it describes the rotation of the earth! The sun's "circuit," however, has been shown to be its own "orbit" through space! These remarks were made thousands of years before "technology" could prove them! Inspired words precede "scientific fact!"

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**Verses 7-10** give qualities of God's Word: 1) perfect "law" converts; 2) "testimony" educates; 3) "statutes" stabilize; 4) "commandment" clarifies; 5) "fear" motivates; 6) "judgments" secure a receptive soul. Properly understood, God's Word is more valuable than gold and sweeter than honey! No one can do better in life than to incorporate Bible teaching into one's heart.

**Verses 11-14** show the understanding God's Word gives: 1) ample warning of dangers in life; 2) knowledge of sin; 3) humility of heart; 4) purity in praising the awesome God!

Truly, "The fool has said in his heart, 'There is no God'" (Psalm 14:1).

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