

# Enchanted Forest of Psalms

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Andromeda Galaxy, closest galaxy to Milky Way,  
2.5 million light-years from earth  
estimated over 1,000,000,000,000,000 stars

Psalm 19:1

**The heavens declare the glory of God;  
and the sky proclaims the work of his hands**  
See Psalm 19's genius stupendous *DIVINE ASCENSION*

# Psalm 19

1-6 God's **GLORY** in Creation – Heavens Declare

7-9 God's **WORD** Word – Law of the Lord is Perfect

**10-14** God's **GLORY** & **WORD** More Precious than Gold

= My Rock, Redeemer

READ closely. Verse 10-14 can refer to **WORD** in vv. 7-9

OR Verse 10-14 can refer to **GLORY** & **WORD** in vv. 1-6 & 7-9

therein is a kind of genius poetic **Divine Ascension**



Key Verse Psalm 19:1

The heavens declare  
the glory of God;  
and the sky proclaims  
the work of *His hands*

How utterly exquisite ...  
stupendously sublime is the FIRST verse

Even in English its poetic artistry seems unsurpassable

**“How Great Thou Art”**

from original Swedish hymn  
entitled "O Store Gud" in 1885  
“O Great God”

by **Carl Boberg** (1859–1940).

English version & title with loose  
translation by the English missionary  
**Stuart K. Hine** in 1949

Popularized by George Beverly Shea &  
Cliff Barrows in Billy Graham crusades

British favorite by BBC's Songs of Praise

“How Great Thou Art” ranked 2nd  
after “Amazing Grace” in an LL-time  
favorites survey by *Christianity Today* 2001

**Heavens DECLARE**  
**the glory of God**



Stuart K. Hine  
(1899–1989)



Carl G. Boberg  
(1859–1940)

# Heavens DECLARE the glory of God

O Lord my God,  
when I in awesome wonder  
Consider all the worlds  
Thy hands have made  
I see the stars,  
I hear the rolling thunder  
Thy power  
throughout the universe displayed

Carrie Underwood & Vince Gill



Heavens D E C L A R E the glory of God



Spurgeon\* so pastorally noted this on David,  
In his earliest days the psalmist ... had devoted  
himself to the study of God's two Great Books—  
Nature and Scripture....



How foolish ... are those who instead of ...  
delighting to behold the same divine hand ...  
spend all their wits ... to find discrepancies....

rest assured that the true "Vestiges of Creation" will never  
contradict Genesis,

nor will a correct "Cosmos" be found  
at variance with the narrative of Moses.

He is wisest who reads both the **World-book** & the **Word-book**.

**Psalms 19 – Tall, Full, Mighty**

## **The Enchanted Forest**

this oak, “**of DAVID,**”  
seems much larger  
much more elegant

Whenever you GO in the **Enchanted Forest**  
Whenever you visit the **Enchanted Forest**  
Aaahhh ... your visit is not complete until  
Until you have sat **under the shade of Psalm 19**





**Psalms 19 – Tall, Full, Mighty**

## **The Enchanted Forest**

**Inescapable**

**Psalms 18 & 19 are TWO oaks  
related like **BROTHERS**  
both celebrate God's Work**

**Psalm 18 celebrates God at work in David's life**

**Psalm 19 celebrates God's work in Nature & Law**

**God the "ROCK" *opens* Psalm 18 ... and**

**God the "ROCK" *closes* Psalm 19**



**Psalms 19 – Tall, Full, Mighty**

## **The Enchanted Forest**

**Inescapable**

**18 & 19 are TWO brother oaks  
related like **COUSINS**  
to Psalms 8 & 95**

**Psalm 8:3-4**, When I consider your heavens, the work of your fingers, the moon and the stars ... what is mankind?

**Psalm 95:4-5**, In his hand are the depths of the earth, and the mountain peaks belong to him. The sea is his....



# The Enchanted Forest

Experts do NOT concur  
on the two parts of Psalm 19  
whether 1-6 and 7-14  
ONE or TWO Psalms

Keil & Deiletech see ONE, Lord Bacon saying, the heavens  
indeed tell of the glory of God, *but not of His will*,  
according to which the poet prays to be pardoned

Others see TWO, noting the language inclines  
1-6 & 7-14 are TWO separate poems combined later



# The Enchanted Forest

Psalm 19

Starts with the Sky

Ends with the Soul

these verses ...

Much more than they appear

Every reading pushes us higher

Language of the poem itself seems to *breathe*

## Psalm 19:1-6 Seen in Creation – Heavens Declare

- <sup>1</sup> The **HEAVENS** declare the glory of **God**; and the **sky** proclaims the work of his hands.
- <sup>2</sup> Day after day they pour forth **speech**; night after night they reveal **knowledge**.
- <sup>3</sup> There have **no speech**, they use no words; **no sound** is heard from them.
- <sup>4</sup> Yet 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.
- <sup>5</sup> It is like a **bridegroom** coming out of his chamber, like a **champion** rejoicing to run his course.
- <sup>6</sup> **It rises** at one end of the heavens and makes its **circuit** to the other, **nothing** is **deprived** of its warmth.

**1<sup>st</sup> Section or Psalm**  
**stand out clearly**  
**God – El, only once**  
**God, in relation to the**  
**world of His creation**

Psalm 19:1-6 Seen in Creation – Heavens Declare

- <sup>7</sup> The **law** of the **LORD** is **perfect**, refreshing the soul.  
The **statutes** of the **LORD** are **trustworthy**, making wise the simple.
- <sup>8</sup> The **precepts** of the **LORD** are **right**, giving joy to the heart.  
The **commands** of the **LORD** are **radiant**, giving light to the eyes.
- <sup>9</sup> The **fear** of the **LORD** is **pure**, enduring forever.  
The **decrees** of the **LORD** are **firm**, and all of them are righteous.
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- <sup>10</sup> They are more precious than **gold**, than much pure gold;  
they are sweeter than **honey**, than honey from the honeycomb.
- <sup>11</sup> By them your servant is **warned**; in keeping them there is great reward.
- <sup>12</sup> But who can **discern** their own errors?  
Forgive my hidden faults.
- <sup>13</sup> **Keep** your servant also from willful sins; may they **not rule** over me.  
Then I will be **blameless**, innocent of great transgression.
- <sup>14</sup> May these words of my mouth and this meditation of  
my heart be **pleasing** in your sight, **LORD**, my **Rock** and my **Redeemer**.

2<sup>nd</sup> Part  
or Psalm

OR 2<sup>nd</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup>  
Parts

**LORD**  
**YHWH**

**7x**

**Covenant**  
**Name**

**Last 3-fold**

Heavens **D E C L A R E** the glory of God

**Andromeda is 2.5 Million LIGHT YEARS away ...**

**Each LIGHT YEAR is 5,878,606,438,399.75 miles**

5,878,606,438,399.75

*times 2.5 Million*

**= *yikes!!!***

**= *incomprehensible***



# Notice *THREE* Sections ... Looking to God

1-6 God's **GLORY** in Creation – Heavens Declare

7-9 God's **WORD** – Law is Perfect

10-14 God's **GLORY** & **WORD** More Precious than Gold – My Rock

see *MORE* of the **Stupendous Divine Ascension**

1-6 with “**EL**” for God – seen in your Bible as “God”

7-14 *no* “**EL**” only “**YHWH**” for LORD 7x – seen as “LORD”

**Poetical Genius: 1-6 GLORY + 7-9 WORD = 10-14 GOLD ROCK**

God inspired King David ... GOD was David's **GOLD ROCK**

**I f f f f f only – *if* only, we knew the MUSIC**



We see Psalm 19 as **ONE** psalm, with a **Divine Ascension**

**<sup>1</sup> The heavens declare the glory of God;  
the skies proclaim the work of his hands.**

**<sup>2</sup> Day after day they pour forth speech;  
night after night they reveal knowledge.**

During Middle Ages & rise of Greek classics, sky & firmament were often conceived of as conscious beings, leaning on Aristotle.

Compare Neh. 9:6 and Job 38:6-7,

**Neh. 9:6, You alone are the LORD. You made the heavens,  
even the highest heavens ... starry host ... earth ... seas ... ALL**

**then You give LIFE to everything, and the  
MULTITUDES OF HEAVEN worship you.**

Middle Ages—some saw the firmament as “conscious” depending upon Aristotle ... leaned to isolated verses

Like Neh. 9:6 above and, below, Job 38:6-7,

**Job. 38:6-7, On what were its footings set,  
or who laid its cornerstone—  
while the MORNING STARS SANG together  
and all the angels shouted for joy?**

Those verses ... *used* and abused in the Middle Ages were linked to the Greek mythology and the Pythagorean

**“music of the spheres”**

But **Scripture** has **NO use for such** ... no REAL interpretation!

**the “STARS” do NOT have consciousness!**

**<sup>1</sup> The heavens *declare* the glory of God;  
the skies proclaim the work of his hands.**

***KJV the firmament sheweth his handywork.***

**<sup>2</sup> Day after day they pour forth speech;  
night after night they reveal knowledge.**

Spurgeon\* said, the Book of Nature has  
Three leaves: Heaven, Earth, & Sea ...  
HEAVEN, the first and the most glorious ...  
able to see the beauties of the other two....  
the sun, moon, and stars, supply light to the  
rest of the volume, and are thus the keys,  
without which ... we would be dark

**<sup>1</sup> The heavens declare the glory of God;  
the skies proclaim the work of his hands.**

Spurgeon\* said of the “Glory of God” the HEAVENS

deliver to us such *unanswerable* arguments for a conscious, intelligent, planning, controlling, and presiding Creator, that no *unprejudiced* person can remain unconvinced by them

....

Yet for all this, to what avail is the loudest declaration to a deaf man, or the clearest showing to one spiritually blind?

God the Holy Ghost must illuminate us,  
or all the suns in the milky way never will.

**<sup>2</sup> Day after day they pour forth speech;  
night after night they reveal knowledge.**

John Boys\* (1571–1625), Dean of Canterbury to 1625,  
Christ is this "day," who saith of himself,  
"I am the light of the world," and  
his twelve apostles are the twelve hours of the day;  
for Christ's Spirit revealed by the mouths of his  
apostles the mysteries of our salvation, in other ages  
not so fully known unto the sons of men.

Though that is likely ***stretching*** too far ...  
Yet, behold ... we have just begun ...

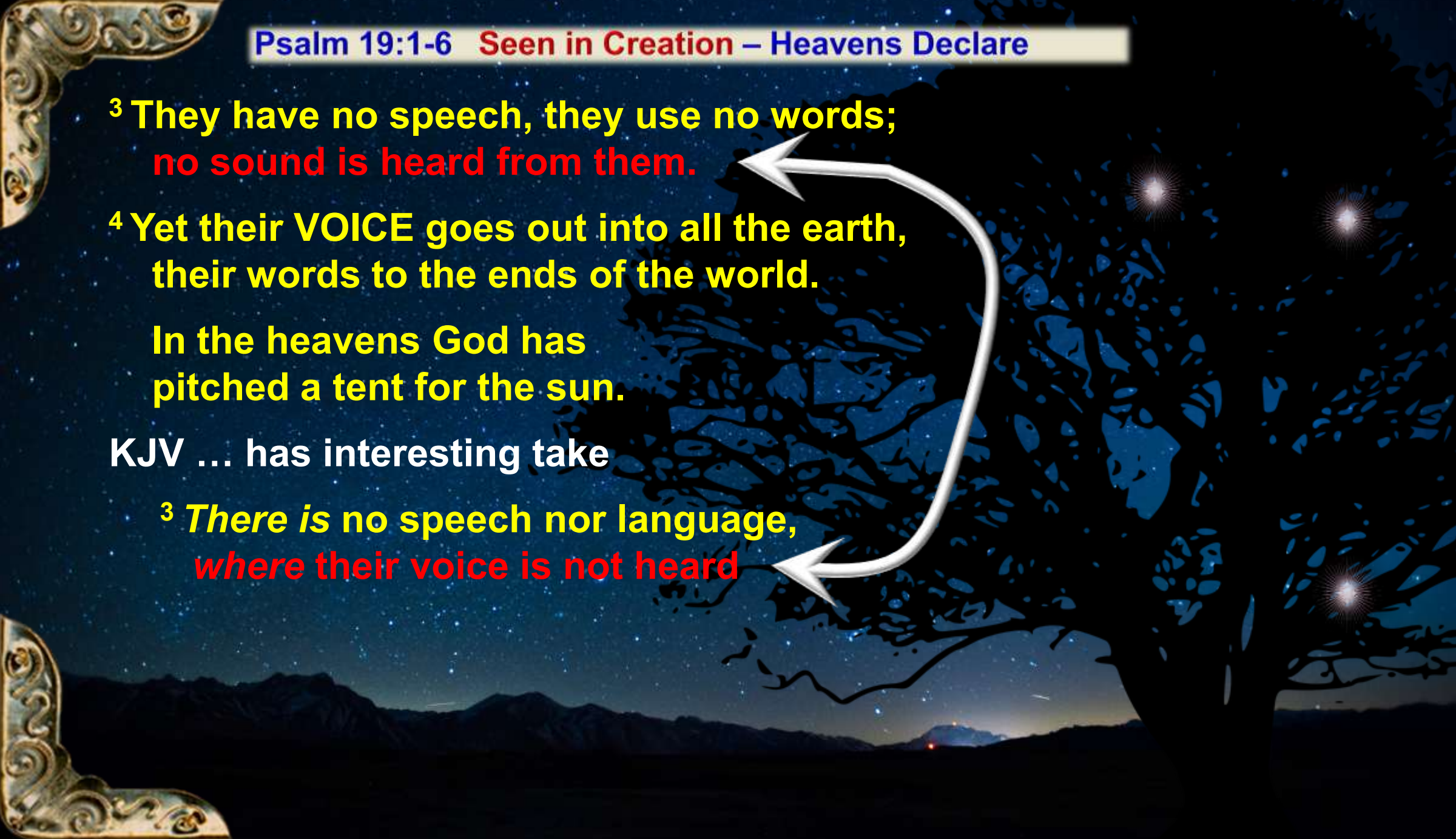
<sup>3</sup> They have no speech, they use no words;  
**no sound is heard from them.**

<sup>4</sup> 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.

KJV ... has interesting take

<sup>3</sup> *There is no speech nor language,  
**where their voice is not heard***



Heavens **D E C L A R E** the glory of God

When you look up into the night sky  
You are **ONLY** seeing a small fraction of the Milky Way stars  
Tiny **RED CIRCLE** is limit of  
**STARS** seen by us at night

YOU ARE HERE > > 

If the FLASHING DOT is earth it is over  
**BILLION x larger** than it should be

You'd need an electron microscope to SEE EARTH 

IF the FLASHING DOT is our solar system from Sun to Pluto

DOT is still **MILLIONS x larger** than it should  
be

Heavens D E C L A R E the glory of God



Heavens declaring the Glory of God is THEN ...

This **Day-to-Night** and **in-all-the-world** SPEECH ...

Is WHAT? ...

<sup>5</sup> It is like a bridegroom  
coming out of his chamber,  
like a champion rejoicing to run his course.

Like the FIRST time a man made **love to his life-mate!**

Pure. Unforgettable. Ecstatic. And ohhh so very **L O V E D**

Men? . . . . .

You know – *groom coming out*



pretty much ... sums it up

The Heavens declaring ... the Glory of God  
**Day-to-Night ... in-all-the-world SPEECH ...**

As a supremely **LOVED** bridegroom ...

**like a champion rejoicing to run his course.**

The very HEAVENS declaring—well?—like a man on

**<sup>6</sup> It rises at one end of the heavens and  
makes its circuit to the other,  
nothing is deprived of its warmth.**

**Stupendously sublime poem ... all by itself ...**

**“It RISES” ... the VOICE rises, the Heavens DECLARING RISES ...**  
**stupendous ... sublime ... the whole earth a CONCERT HALL**

**MAN  
on Top  
of the  
World**



**<sup>7</sup> The *law* of the LORD is perfect,  
converting the soul.**

**The *statues* of the LORD are trustworthy,  
making wise the simple.**

**<sup>8</sup> The *precepts* of the LORD are right,  
giving joy to the heart.**

**The *commands* of the LORD are radiant,  
giving light to the eyes.**

Now the second Psalm ... or second partition  
from God's World-book to God's Word-book

Or ... as I & many believe ... **ONE PSALM**

**TWO Partitions** ... molded by a inspired genius of artistry

From the **Heavens Declare** to ...

The Law of the LORD ... Law of YHWH

I suspect ... and even challenge you

To **see** this SECOND PARTITION as the

**More** Stupendous Part

**Higher** Part in Sublimity

Indeed ... the SECOND Part was in  
King David's mind as he went from

the **LOWER to the HIGHER** ...

We only ... solely ... exclusively ...

**KNOW** that the Heavens declare ... **FROM God's WORD**

That is ... ponder this well ...

Think on this ... meditate upon it ...

Gazing into the Starry Heavens ...

We are SMALL ...

as the Hubble & Webb Telescopes show us  
for those with EYES to SEE ...

God's eternal, infinite world—the cosmos ...

Yet the Milky Way and majestic Andromeda

While DECLARING the glory God ...

We need GOD to REVEAL Himself

**from God's WORD**



Back up a minute ...

If there were NO atheists ... No Moses either

You step out of your cave and LOOK

You see the Mighty Oak trees

You see the fleeting Gazelle and flying birds

THESE alone ... plus your humanoid brothers & sisters

EARTH ... LIFE ... Unfathomable SEA—*how grand are THEY?*

You look up—hold you eyes—the **SUN!**

At night, you behold the smooth Moon & illimitable starry hosts

How did all this come about? **From conjecture to ME**



The ATHEIST says by CHANCE!

Really, all the atheist does is REFUSE God

Caveman conjures up BETTER reasons

Ancient Greeks thought up Zeus w his Thunder Bolt

The Olympian Pantheon ...

Andromeda—whose mother bragged on her beauty

Andromeda was chained to a rock ...

Many artists have painted beautiful Andromeda

Chained to a rock ... tormented without clothes

Ancient Greeks ASK ...

WHO controls the mighty forces?

**Olympian Neurotics**



Zeus, ancient Roman  
bust found in  
Otricoli in 1775

Seeing beautiful Andromeda tormented  
that roused the anger of Poseidon  
Poseidon to the Greeks – Neptune to Romans  
Poseidon, god of seas – brother of Zeus  
Sent a serpent to ravage the coasts of the Aethiopians  
Punishment for hurting beautiful Andromeda  
Perseus, Hero god, fresh from killing Medusa ...  
Perseus rescues Andromeda ... **MARRIES** her  
Despite the fact she was already married to her uncle!  
Greeks & every tribe **READ** the sky



Andrea Doria as  
Neptune, c. 1540,  
by Angelo Bronzino

**Heavens DECLARING**

The ATHEIST says by CHANCE!

Really, all the atheist does is REFUSE God's Heaven Declaring

Along came Darwin ... we sank below the ancients

From Greece to Mighty Rome ...

In Egypt for many millennia ... 1,000s of years

From Babylon to Philistia ... so many "gods"

Strangest of all, weirdest of all—19th Century birthed

Birthed a NEW GOD: **"Chance" – "ELOHIM DICE"**

Thanks to Darwin, the stupidest god of all, **"EL Chance"**

No feeling or neuroses in **"EL Chance!"**

Old Earth *whimpers*, cries as the

**Heavens DECLARE**



Charles Darwin, c. 1854  
author of  
*On the Origin of Species*, 1859

What? ... **WHAT** is **DECLARED** day-to-night ... all over **Old Earth**

We see ... but it is God's revelation of **HIMSELF** ...

No mind has **TRULY** conceived ...

No heart has **TRULY** grasped the **day-to-night** declaring!

So then, dear people, **HEAR** this most strongly ...

Heavens declare ... the **GLORY** of **GOD** ... that **IS** the message

**The BEST of God's revelation is in Christ**

**The BEST of God's GLORY is still yet to COME**

In the clouds ... in the sky ... from **HEAVEN**

And to **HEAVEN**

we shall go ... all seen **FROM God's WORD**

Heavens D E C L A R E the glory of God



Older King David continues ... masterfully ...

Moreover, David changes the Poetic tempo to force **FEELING**

**<sup>9</sup> The fear of the LORD is pure,  
enduring for ever.**

**The degrees of the LORD are firm,  
and all of them righteous.**

**<sup>10</sup> They are more precious than *gold*,  
than much pure *gold*;  
they are sweeter than *honey*,  
than honey from the honeycomb.**

**<sup>11</sup> By them your servant is *WARMED*;  
in keeping them there is *GREAT REWARD***

Now you see ... I know you do ...

Psalm 19 was composed as ONE ... a progressive Psalm too ...

from the **Lowest to the Highest** ...

Starry Heavens Declaring ...

The MAJESTIC heights of Heaven ... **PALE** compared to

Those illimitable stars **PALE** in comparison to

Milky Way & astounding Andromeda **PALE** compared to ...

The unfathomable ocean depths also **PALE** compared to ...

**Compared to God Almighty's SELF Revelation in the LAW, our BIBLE**

Oh, my FORGET **"El Chance"** –

Anathema – Cursed be **"Chance Elohim"**!

**12 But who can discern their own errors?  
Forgive my hidden faults.**

**13 Keep your servant also from willful sins;  
may they not rule over me.**

**Then I will be blameless,  
innocent of great transgression.**

**Glory of God ... how the Heavens Declare**

**But that GLORY gets clothes we can SEE**

**The Law ... the Word ... Precious Precepts**

**“The Word of God is LIVING and Active,  
Sharper than any two-edged sword.”**

**Heb. 4:12**

Heavens D E C L A R E the glory of God





Oh ... why is it that ANYONE would be drawn  
Why would anyone see the First Partition as grander?  
Why would any see the STARRY HOST above God's Word  
You and I KNOW why? ... *cause it is easier!*  
I love the SHOW ... a good movie ... *ENTERTAIN meeeeeee*  
Let me step out on my back porch and LOOK UP ...  
**Heavens Declare the Glory of God** ... *love it, love it, love it*  
Yet, to see what's **DECLARED** ... the full measure of GRACE ...  
I must ... I must sit down and ...

**Open the Book**

# Heavens DECLARE the glory of God

Then sings my soul,  
My Saviour God to Thee  
How great Thou art,  
How great Thou art

Elvis Presley



in God's Word ... be HONEST ...

**“discerner of the thoughts and intents of the heart”** Heb. 4:12

If you will, later tonight, review that second Partition ...

Therein, you will see King David is called the

**Sweet Psalmist of Israel**

Read again, meditate upon Psalm 19:7-14 ... then you will

YES, you will see why David said in 1 Sam. 13:14,

**"LORD has sought out for Himself a man after His own heart"**

You'll see why that's remembered 1,000 years later in Acts 13:22,

God testified of David: **'I have found David son of Jesse, a man after my own heart; he will do everything I want him to do.'**

Therein, looking closely at Psalm 19:7-14

You'll see the HEIGHTS of a devoted heart

- ✓ someone who struggles NOT with opening HIS Bible
- ✓ someone who LEANS hard on the Word of God

You will see David in LOVE with the Words of God ...

<sup>7</sup> The law of the LORD perfect, refreshing the soul.

The statutes of the LORD are trustworthy, making wise the simple.

<sup>8</sup> The precepts of the LORD are right, giving joy to the heart.

You're beginning to see now

You and I – allow me a tender question –

have we **LOVED** our Bible *THAT* much?

Yet, that is not even HALF ... or even 100th of the story

David LOVED God's word ... yet: **What was David's Bible?**

David only had the **Torah & a few Prophets**

On the other hand, we have the FULLEST revelation of all ...

David's Bible = Torah first 5 bks – Genesis-Ex-Lev-Num-Deuteronomy

Imagine inspiration from legal code of Leviticus ...

Rather, imagine the LAWLESSNESS surrounding Israel without GOD

**For David – the “Law” & “Prophets” were GOD'S GUIDANCE**

**David would NOT kill Saul ... God's anointed**

**Prophets & Priests spoke God's WORD *later written down***

**Eli, Samuel, Nathan ... David became a JUDGE too**

***a source for God's Word***

Heavens **D E C L A R E** the glory of God

**Andromeda – 1 Trillion Stars = 1,000,000 Millions  
with a Super Black Hole in center larger than orbit of Jupiter**



Psalm 19:7-14 show how much **David LOVED God's LAW & WORDs**

Listen closely ... how much **David LOVED of the *LITTLE he had***

Few of us have LOVED God's Word as much as DAVID

Yet—we have the FULLEST revelation of all ...

1000 B.C., David sang, the **Heavens Declare the Glory of God**

Yet, we have four Gospels ... Romans, 1 & 2 Corinthians, Philippians

We have Colossians 1:15-17:

**<sup>15</sup> The Son is the image of the invisible God....**

**<sup>16</sup> For in him all things were created:  
things in heaven and on earth, visible and invisible....**

**<sup>17</sup> He is before all things, and in him all things hold together.**



David LOVED God's word ...**WITHOUT** the New Testament  
Without the FULLNESS of Christ ... *fleshed out* ...  
Now look at what David believed ... sung ... felt ... LOVED  
What began with the Heavens ... Psalm 19 took us to the **HEIGHTS**  
7 The **law** of the LORD **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**.  
You can feel David's **LOVE** of God's Word now ...  
You and I ...  
would that we **LOVED** our Bible **THAT** much?

Heavens **D E C L A R E** the glory of God

Andromeda on a collision course with our Milky Way

4,200 MPH – or each speeding at 2,100 MPH – as fast as a **BULLET**

Collision will **BEGIN**

1.5 **BILLION** years  
from 2025



*Best saved for LAST in David's stupendous LOVE for God's Word*

<sup>8</sup> The **precepts** of the LORD are **right**, giving JOY to the heart.

The **commands** of the LORD are **radiant**, giving LIGHT to the eyes.

<sup>9</sup> The **fear** of the LORD is **pure**, ENDURING forever.

The **decrees** of the LORD are **firm**, all of them are RIGHTEOUS.

Pray tell: has ANYONE, anywhere LOVED his/her Bible MORE?

<sup>10</sup> They are more precious than **GOLD**, than much pure gold;  
they are sweeter than **HONEY**, than honey from the honeycomb.

<sup>11</sup> By them your servant is **WARNED**;

**in keeping them there is *Great Reward***

Then to the pristine Heights of Revelation **Word became Flesh**

We saw Him ... He walked & talked w us ... healed blind beggars

**The Heavens DECLARE the Glory of God ... *indeed***

**Yet God's Word reveals CHRIST ... His 1st & 2nd Coming**

One Psalm ... *song* ... leading to one conclusion, v. 14

**<sup>14</sup> May these words of my mouth**

**and this meditation of my *HEART***

**be pleasing in your sight,**

***LORD, my Rock and my Redeemer***

# Heavens DECLARE the glory of God

And when I think,  
that God,  
His Son not sparing  
Sent Him to die,  
I scarce can take it in  
That on the Cross,  
my burden gladly bearing  
He bled & died to take away my sin

