

Adult Impact Study Sheet – April 14, 2024

Read **Psalm 19:7-14**; if possible from several translations.

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NOTE: As we consider Psalm 19, reflect on the words of German philosopher Immanuel Kant: “Two things fill the mind with ever new and increasing wonder and awe, the more often and the more seriously reflection concentrates upon them: the starry heaven above me and the moral law within me.”¹ How often do you **seriously** concentrate on the wonders of creation around and above you and the moral law of God within you? You are urged to do so, as it will wonderfully affect your relationship with God and your fellow man.

1. In verses 7-9, David makes six different statements, each one describing the Lord and His Word, then what effect that has, (especially as it relates to those who belong to Him). Discuss in the following how the truth about the Lord and His Word relates to the effect mentioned:

Note: The parenthetical wording in the following bullet points has as its source Warren Wiersbe.

- (v. 7a) - the law of the Lord is perfect, reviving the soul (*Here the word “law” is the Hebrew word torah which means instruction, direction, teaching.*)
- (v. 7b) - the testimony of the Lord is sure, making wise the simple. (*Who is meant by “the simple”?*)
- (v. 8a) - the precepts of the Lord are right, rejoicing the heart. (*precepts are God’s detailed instructions concerning the practical matters of everyday life.*)
- (v. 8b) - the commandment of the Lord is pure, enlightening the eyes (*The word “commandment” means “that which is appointed.”*)
- (v. 9a) - the fear of the Lord is clean, enduring forever
- (v. 9b) - the rules of the Lord are true, and righteous altogether. (*Rules can be translated “ordinances.”*)

2. Read vv. 10-14. Why is the Word of the Lord compared to fine gold and sweet honey?
3. Discuss this statement, “The Word in the hand is fine; the Word in the head is better; but the Word in the heart is what transforms us and matures us in Christ.”²
4. Discuss these questions posed by Warren Wiersbe³:
 - Do we desire His Word because it is precious to us?
 - Do we accept and act upon the warnings of the Word?
 - Do we enjoy the blessing of the Lord because we’ve obeyed His will?

¹ *Critique of Practical Reason*, 2

² *The Wiersbe Bible Commentary, OT*, 897

³ *Ibid*