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God Wants to Be Known

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There is a God and He wants to be known! Do you know Him? Do you want to know Him? According to Psalm 19 God has revealed Himself to man in two basic ways. **First, God has revealed some truth about Himself through the world that He created (Ps. 19:1-6).** His creation reveals His existence, power, and wisdom. Have you considered God's creation lately? Have you marveled at its revelation about the Creator? David did! Have you been humbled by what you have seen? David was! Perhaps as a shepherd in the fields with his sheep at night, David gazed at the heavens. In Psalm 19:1 David exclaimed, "The heavens declare the glory of God; and the firmament sheweth his handiwork." David saw glimpses of the Creator in His creation. Jeremiah the prophet tells us that God revealed His power, wisdom, and knowledge in His creative work (Jer. 10:10-12). We should marvel at the power of God that called into existence this vast universe. According to the Bible, God spoke and created the world out of nothing (Heb. 11:3). God's knowledge and wisdom are displayed by the complexity of this world and how God has interwoven diversity within unity. Whether we marvel at the intricacies of the universe and how the earth is exactly what man needs for survival, or whether we marvel at the design and complexity of the human being, the human eye, or even the human cell, God's wisdom, knowledge, and power will be seen if we look for them.

But who is this Creator God? What is He like? What is His name? What does He expect from man? The general revelation about God found in creation does not answer questions like these. However, God has revealed

Himself to man in a second way that does answer these kinds of questions. **God has also revealed Himself to us through the Word He has spoken (Ps. 19:7-11).** The Bible or Word of God reveals to us what God has chosen to make known to us about Himself. The Creator's name is the LORD or Jehovah (Yahweh). Each reference to God's Word in Psalm 19:7-9 is followed by the phrase "of the LORD." The word that He spoke is of divine origin—it is God-breathed (2 Tim. 3:16). David described this written revelation about God as sweeter than honey and more valuable than gold. Like the psalmist, if we want to know God, we must spend time with God in His Word. In Psalm 19 David gave a six-fold description of God's Word and why we should desire it. First, the Bible is God's sufficient instruction for transforming man (19:7a). Second, it is God's trustworthy testimony for imparting wisdom (19:7b). Third, it is God's accurate direction for joyful living, (19:8a). Fourth, it is God's clear authority for understanding life, (19:8b). Fifth, it is God's pure and unchanging guide to fearing the Lord, (19:9a). Sixth, the Bible is God's absolutely truthful and righteous standard of right and wrong (19:9b).

Wow! What a book! But how can we profit from this Divine Word? To profit from it we must love it (19:10); we must listen to it (19:11a); and we must live by it (19:11b). God has chosen to reveal Himself to us through the Word of God. How are you responding to this revelation? Let's dedicate ourselves to loving God's Word, listening to God's Word, and living by God's Word. When we do, we will grow in our knowledge of and likeness to Jesus Christ.

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Way of Truth Ministries Update, by Dr. Elwood Pfaunmiller

This year, 2009, marks Way of Truth Ministries 20th year of spreading the gospel around the world. We praise the Lord for His leading this ministry in various avenues of sharing the gospel of Jesus Christ.

In 1989 the Lord led six men to establish Way of Truth Ministries. These men were united in heart and mind that it was God's will to establish a ministry that would proclaim the Word of God and would honor the Lord in all aspects of the ministry.

The radio ministry has expanded from a single radio broadcast in Pennsylvania to an outreach that reaches around the globe. This outreach includes areas within the 10/40 window which has for the

most part been closed to open missionary ministry. These radio broadcasts are available worldwide through our website.

Another outreach of Way of Truth Ministries is Way of Truth Baptist Missions. This missions ministry includes partnering with national missionaries in Ghana, Togo, and Liberia in West Africa and in two areas of India. In addition God has directed an American missionary to become part of the team, and he will be going to Asia when his support is raised. Through the Military Ministries arm we now have a ministry through a local church to a military base in Arizona.

Several years ago the Lord led the ministry to develop the High

Way Ministries. This is a ministry to the trucking industry. We currently operate three chapels along the I-80 corridor in central Pennsylvania.

Way of Truth Ministries not only desires to reach people with the gospel of Christ, but it is our desire to see people disciplined to spiritual maturity in Christ. To that end we have developed the Institute Of Biblical Studies under the leadership of Milt Lambertson to teach the Word of God and to impart a Biblical Worldview. The Way of Truth Press produces *The Chronicle* and monthly Truth Topics.

We are grateful to those who support the many aspects of this ministry through their prayers and financial support.