


PATHFINDERS

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<p>Intro...</p>	<p><i>Psalm 1 set the scene for all the rest of the psalms - reminding us that in life we have a choice whether to live a flourishing, stable life rooted in God and his word the Bible - or to go the way of the world - rootless and ultimately unproductive. It is probable that psalm 1 was written by David, but today's - psalm 19 - definitely was - it says so! Here we can see some of the reasons why David thought living for God and trusting his word is the very best way to live.</i></p>
<p>Read...</p>	<p>Psalm 19 Read it ... https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Psalm+19&version=NIV <i>Or listen to it being read with cool pics in the background...</i> https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=IQU0-YrCCGE</p>
<p>Listen...</p>	<p>https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=GtZLe-E0PqU&list=RDGtZLe-E0PqU&start_radio=1&t=75 <i>A setting of Psalm 19 by The Corner Room</i></p> 
<p>Watch...</p>	<p>https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=X3d0zC3G3b8</p>  <p><i>In psalm 19:1-6 David looks at the sky, stars and sun and is amazed by what he sees. If you are into science - even if you aren't! - watch this 7minute video to see some of the amazing evidence about how God created and fine-tuned the universe for us to live in.</i></p>
<p>Think...</p>	<p><i>Read or listen to psalm 19 again. Imagine David standing in a field on a starry night - thousands of years before electric lights ruined our view of the stars.</i></p> <p><i>Look at verses 1-6. David says that the creation tells us about God.</i></p>

1. *What can we tell about God just by looking at what he has made? - here David is looking at the sky - but also insects, flowers, mountains etc etc*
2. *If we just had creation to tell us about God - what would we not know?*

Look at verses 7-11. Here David is talking about God's word the Bible - he only had part of the Old Testament - the rest hadn't been written yet - but he thinks it is amazing. It can tell us everything else we need to know about God! Statutes, laws, precepts...are all words for the Bible.

3. *How does David feel about the Bible? What words does he use that show you this?*
4. *What does David say that God's word does - v7, 8, 11? That's why David thinks God's word is so amazing!*
5. *What words would you use to describe the Bible? Would they be like David's words or very different? Why?*

David loved the Bible because it told him all about the God who made him and loved him. We have the New Testament and know all about Jesus - who hadn't been born when David was around! We have even more reasons to think the Bible is great! If you don't feel as positive as David about the Bible - may be you are missing out! May be you need to read it more - ask for God's help to understand it so it can refresh your soul, make you wise and warn you when you are getting things wrong.

Listen...

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=4g1jPjxYvbg>

A great song by Lion of Judah - Maker - all about god the great creator. There are some references to Psalm 19 in there too if you look for them...



Pray...

- *David is amazed at how great God and his word are.*
- *Spend some time praising God for everything he has made - why not look outside at night and be amazed by the starry sky - even though we won't see as much as David. Go WOW and remember God who made it all!*
- *Read verses 12-14*
- *Having been WOWed by God David realises how unlike God he is. Ask God to forgive you for even the things that you don't know about. Ask for his help to live in a way that pleases him - isn't that great. We can make God happy by what we say and do - check out verse 14.*

David knows that God is his rock v14 - totally reliable - he will never let him down. He also knows he is his redeemer - his saviour - the one who forgives and accepts him - he knew that even though he didn't know about Jesus!

- *Talk to him now - knowing that he knows you and loves you completely - he will never let you down. Talk to him about anything that is worrying you - he is there, he will listen!*