

Old Testament

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Through the Old Testament in Two Years

Part Two



Created for use with young, unchurched learners
Adaptable for all ages including adults

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The Law of the Lord

Last week we learned that David cried out to God for help. He was certain that God hears our prayers. David understood the importance of being alone with God in prayer. He knew God loved him and he trusted God. He asked God to help him follow in His ways. David committed to seek God daily in the morning.

Psalm 19

Read the Bible

READ: Psalm 19:1-14 (Hold your Bible open throughout the story.)

Memory Verse:

Let Christ's Word
live in you
like a rich treasure.
(Colossians 3:16 NIV)

Begin with Prayer

In this Psalm, David talks about God's creation and God's Word. In the beginning, God spoke and things came into existence. (Genesis 1) God's creation gives testimony to the power, glory and wonder of God. The skies tell us and keep telling us what God has done. (Psalm 19:1)

The glory of God is revealed and the way day and night follow each other is a testimony to the glory of God. (Psalm 19:2)

Goals

1. Understand that God's creation gives testimony of God's glory.
2. Recognize that the message of creation is something all the earth sees.
3. Learn that God's word is perfect.
4. Understand that the Word of God helps us understand His salvation.

All the earth sees the glory of God's creation. David, the psalmist, said that they don't speak, there is no sound, but "their message reaches all the earth." (Psalm 19:3 CEV)

The sun declares the glory of God. It gives light to the earth. The brightness of the sun is like a bridegroom who is dressed up and who is pleasant to behold. The bridegroom is ready and eager. He is strong. He will do what he has to do with joy. (Psalm 19:5)

The testimony of God's glory is given to all the earth. The world hears. But there are not words. The message is spoken but no sound is made. The power of God is communicated. "Nothing hides from its heat." (Psalm 19:6 CEV)

God's law is perfect. Nothing should be added or taken from it. (Revelation 22:18-19) It has the power to change lives, to change our way of thinking, to give understanding of who God is. (Romans 12:1-2)

The law of God helps us to understand the salvation God has for us. (II Timothy 3:15. It makes us wise. (Psalm 19:7)

The Law of the Lord — Bible Facts

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| <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Creation reveals God's glory.3. God's law is perfect. | <ol style="list-style-type: none">2. All the earth sees the glory of God's creation.4. God's law helps us understand His salvation. |
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His instruction helps us know what is right. When we do what is right, His law makes us happy. (Psalm 19:8)

David said that God's commands are pure. They help us see clearly. It gives us the light to see; we see our sin. We understand that God's decisions are fair. (Psalm 19:9)

Gold has value here on earth. But God's grace has more value than anything on the earth. Honey is sweet, but the mercy and grace of God have a flavor that is much sweeter than anything on the earth. (Psalm 19:10)

God's word teaches what is wrong. By obeying God's word we find great reward. David wants to be without sin and he prays. He asks for forgiveness for sins he may have committed with knowing. He asks God's help in doing what is right. He wants God to control his life. (Psalm 19:11-13)

David's desire is to please God with his words and with his thoughts. He trusts God. He depends on God. He knows that God is his protector. (Psalm 19:14)

Review

1. What did David say about creation? (Creation reveals God's glory.)
2. What did David say the earth tells us? (All the earth sees the glory of God's creation.)
3. What did David say about God's law? (God's law is perfect.)
4. What does God's law help us understand? (God's law helps us understand His salvation.)

Do You Know Jesus?

David understood God's creation revealed the glory of God. He wanted to be right before God. We can be made right with God if will ask Him to forgive our sins. When we invite Him to be a part of our lives, Jesus will come and be a part of our lives forever. (Romans 10:9-10) If you would like to know more, talk to your teacher about it.

Prayer Time

1. Take a moment to listen to God.
2. Thank God for sending Jesus.
3. Ask God to help you study His Word.
4. Pray for friends and family members who need to study God's Word.

Application

In this Psalm David said that God's creation gives testimony of God's glory. The message of creation is something all the earth sees.

David also said that God's Word is perfect. The Word of God helps us understand His salvation. The Bible says that we should "Let Christ's Word live in you like a rich treasure." (Colossians 3:16 NIRV)

Planning for Next Week

The Good Shepherd — Psalm 23

Preschool Lesson

Read the Bible

READ: Psalm 19:1-14 (Hold your Bible open throughout the story.)

Teachers: Make a booklet that has pictures of creation; the sun, the stars, the moon, etc.

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The glory of God is revealed and the way day and night follow each other tells us about how awesome and wonderful God is. (Psalm 19:2)

All the earth sees how amazing God's creation is. David, the one who wrote this song, said that the heavens don't speak, there is no sound, but "their message reaches all the earth." (Psalm 19:3 CEV)

The sun declares how amazing God is. It gives light to the earth. The brightness of the sun is like a bridegroom who is dressed up and looks good. The bridegroom is ready.. He is strong. He will do what he has to do with joy. (Psalm 19:5)

The whole earth hears about how amazing God is, even though creation cannot speak. The power of God is talked about. "Nothing hides from its heat." (Psalm 19:6 CEV)

God's law is perfect. None of us should try to change it. (Revelation 22:18-19) God's word can change lives. It can change our way of thinking, to help us understand who God is. (Romans 12:1-2)

Prayer Time

1. Take a moment to listen to God.
2. Thank God for sending Jesus.
3. Ask God to help you study His Word.

Memory verse for younger children

Let Christ's Word live in you like a rich treasure. Colossians 3:16

Learning Activities

- Memory verse activity** — Write the verse on a sheet of paper. Decorate it with gold glitter on the edges.
- Test your memory** — Allow the children to decorate poster board to look like things in creation which give testimony to the glory of God. Then allow them to have a parade. Ask each child to say, “The sun gives testimony to the glory of God.” Do they same for each poster board.
- Taste activity** — Bring honey graham crackers for a snack. Decorate them to gave a sun or moon and stars with colored icing.
- Think about it** — David said that the creation gives testimony to the glory of God. Talk about how we are to give testimony, too.

David knew that God’s law could change lives. Talk about how the Word of God can change lives.

David knew that God does not like sin. Talk about how sin separates us from God, and how Jesus came to save us from sin.

- Touch activity** — Make a booklet that has pictures of creation, the sun, the stars, the moon, etc.

Make a booklet that looks like the sun. Cut out two circles. Color the circles. Staple or glue the circle so that they open like a book. Write verses from Psalm 19 inside.

Make treasure chests. Write verses from Psalm 19 on a sheet of paper. Put the verses in the treasure chest.

Watch the movie by Louie Giglio called “Indescribable.”

- Run and play** — Play tag. Let one child hold a piece of something that is gold plated. Tell the child with the gold that he must touch everyone. When he touches someone they must stop. When everyone has stopped, someone else can hold the gold.

- Listen** — As the children take time for silence, remind them that God wants us to study His Word.

- Sing** — Sing “Thy Word,” “Sing Them Over Again to Me,” “The B-I-B-L-E,” “Indescribable,” by Chris Tomlin or another song related to the story.

- Reach out** — During class, pray (by name) for kids who did not come today. Ask the children to go with you to deliver the handouts to those who were absent. Take the sun booklet with memory verse to them. Pray with the children who were absent. Encourage them to read the story in the Bible.

Memory Verse

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Colossian 3:16

Word Puzzle

Trace the letters.

Creation

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Word Search

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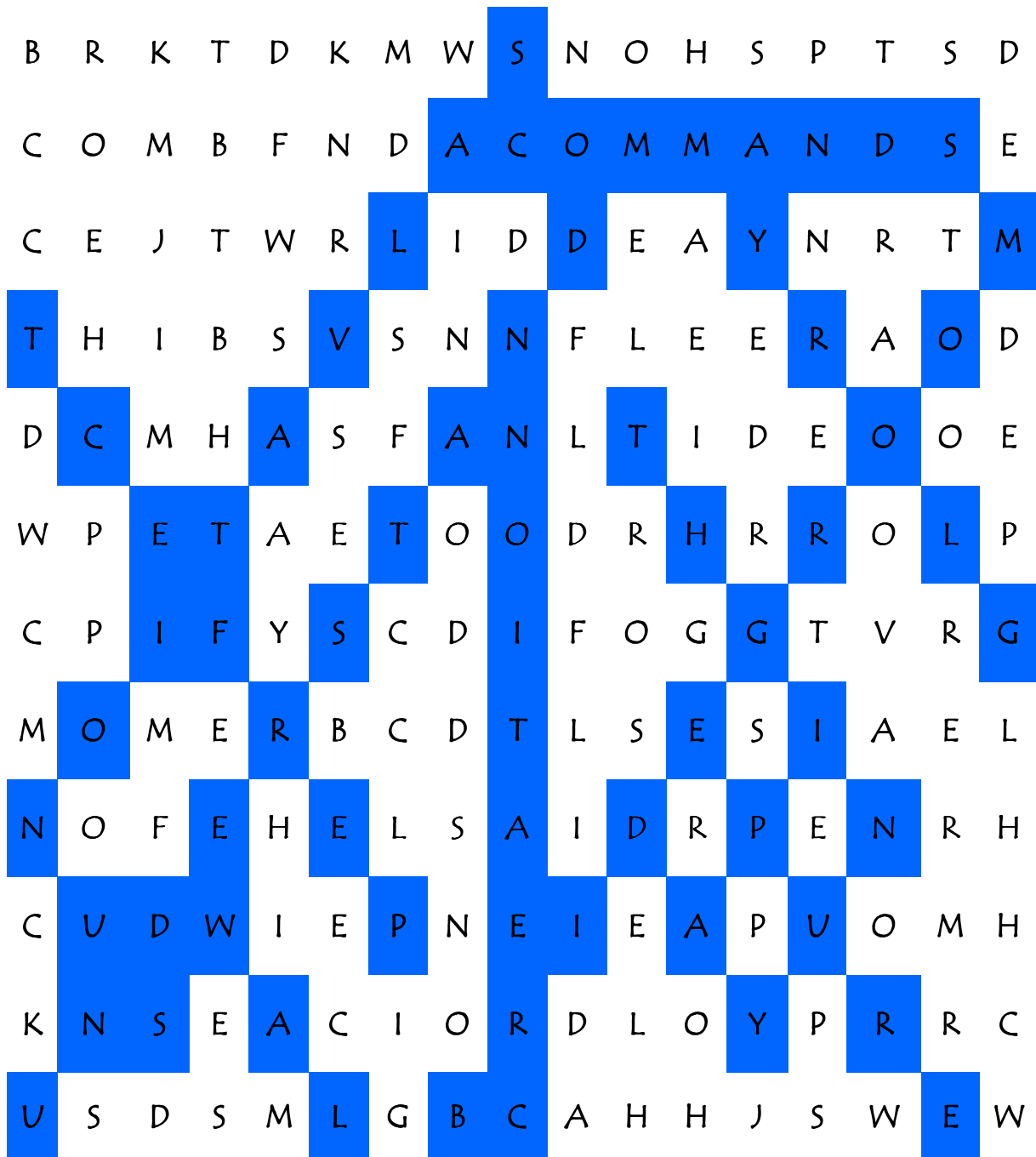
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