

BIBLE PASSAGE

1 The heavens proclaim the glory of God. The skies display his craftsmanship. 2 Day after day they continue to speak; night after night they make him known. 3 They speak without a sound or word; their voice is never heard. 4 Yet their message has gone throughout the earth, and their words to all the world. God has made a home in the heavens for the sun. 5 It bursts forth like a radiant bridegroom after his wedding. It rejoices like a great athlete eager to run the race. 6 The sun rises at one end of the heavens and follows its course to the other end. Nothing can hide from its heat. 7 The instructions of the LORD are perfect, reviving the soul. The decrees of the LORD are trustworthy, making wise the simple. 8 The commandments of the LORD are right, bringing joy to the heart. The commands of the LORD are clear, giving insight for living. 9 Reverence for the LORD is pure, lasting forever. The laws of the LORD are true; each one is fair. 10 They are more desirable than gold, even the finest gold. They are sweeter than honey, even honey dripping from the comb. 11 They are a warning to your servant, a great reward for those who obey them. 12 How can I know all the sins lurking in my heart? Cleanse me from these hidden faults. 13 Keep your servant from deliberate sins! Don't let them control me. Then I will be free of guilt and innocent of great sin. 14 May the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be pleasing to you, O LORD, my rock and my redeemer. Psalms 19 (NLT)

KEY-TAKE-AWAYS



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PRAYER & PRAISE

SERMON-BASED DISCUSSION



Thank you Jesus

All the believers devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching, and to fellowship, and to sharing in meals, and to prayer.

Acts 2:42 (NLT)



FAITH FORMATION
connect. grow. lead.



At Manheim BIC we strive to initiate and nurture a growing relationship with Christ.

For your time together:

Connect

Get to know each other. Connect, warm up to each other, fellowship. Just arrive after a long week of all kind of things. - Ask: Who are you personally?

Care

Carry each others burdens. Share life's challenges and practice Soul Care. Cry together. Support each other. Pray together. - Ask: How are you doing?

Challenge

Dive into God's word to learn from each others insight. Encourage and challenge each other to a godly life. - Ask: What is God teaching us today?

Clarify

Know what's to do next, with the studies text, within the group, and in general. Have a mission for the week. - Ask: How do we apply what we have learned?

Celebrate

Celebrate life's success and God's provision. Worship God's presence. Time to brag about God. - Ask: What has God done in our life that deserves praise?

GROUP DISCUSSION & LIFE CHALLENGE

Use these notes as discussion prompt for your group, or in your personal time with God.

Prayer & Praise. This weeks sermon helped us to focus on God as the creator of the universe. Pastors Shannon Kane helped us to look at the awesomeness of the God who holds everything together. And he reminded us that through Jesus Christ we have access to this amazing God. Not just access, but the privilege of being adopted be God.

Pastor Shannon says that "Prayer positions me for a perspective of praise!". He then goes on to talk about being adopted into God's family. He used the example of the Roman adoption custom to explain the principle. This is most likely what Paul had in mind when he talked about being adopted by God.

Go to manheimbic.org/sermon, look for the sermon from Nov 7, 2021, and listen to that part again (5-6 minutes into the sermon). As you listen, take some notes off what it means to be adopted. Then share with your group what that means to you!

Here is a list of a few of the many names the Jews assigned to God. Take a minute and read through the list. Which name resonates most with you? Circle the name, and below the list of names write down why this name is important to you. Then share with your group what your favorite new of God is and why.

El Shaddai (Lord God Almighty)

Adonai (Lord, Master)

Yehovah Nissi (The Lord My Banner)

Yehovah Rapha (The Lord That Heals)

El Olam (The Everlasting God)

Can naah (Jealous)

Yehovah Shalom (The Lord Is Peace)

Yehovah kaw daysh (The Lord Who Sanctifies You)

Yehovah (sid ka nuh) Tsidkenu (The Lord Our Righteousness)

El Elyon (The Most High God)

Yahweh (Lord, Jehovah)

Yehovah-Raah (The Lord My Shepherd)

Yehovah Shammah (The Lord Is There)

Elohim (God)

Yehovah year eh (The Lord Will Provide)

Yehovah Sah vah (The Lord of Hosts)

This is name of God is important to you because ...

One of the things that King David was known for was his relationship with God and the way he put praise into words. The Book of Psalms if full of sings and poems of praise. On the back of this pamphlet you will find Psalm 19. Take a few minutes and underline everything in this Psalm that helps you move into a position of praise and worship. Share with your group which verse stands out to you the most, and why.

One of the things that we have learned from this week's sermon is really that praise comes almost automatically when we focus on God. Just contemplating on what HE has done is reason enough to start praising Him. We encourage you to time to think about God's greatness as often as you can. Because *prayer really does position us for a perspective of praise.*