The Magnificent Word of God Series
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“The Word of the Lord” (Inspired)
Psalm 19:7-14

I. The Bible is a magnificent book
   A. It is a unified book:
      - 66 books, 36 writers, 16 centuries > one message (Jesus!)
   B. It is a prophetic book:
      - fulfilled prophecies > individuals, Israel, nations, Christ
   C. It is a life-changing book:
      - countless individuals and families changed
      - major influence on laws and society
      - major influence on arts and culture

II. Psalm 19 is a magnificent Psalm
   A. Verses 1-6 > God’s glory as revealed in creation
      - see also: Romans 1:20
   B. Verses 7-14 > God’s will as revealed in Scripture
      - law, statutes, precepts, commands, fear, ordinances

III. The Bible is God’s inspired word
    - Note the repeated phrase: "of the Lord" (Psalm 19:7-9)
   A. "All Scripture is God-breathed" (2 Timothy 3:16)
      - see also: Exodus 24:4; Job 23:12; Matthew 4:4
   B. "Men spoke from God by the Holy Spirit." (2 Peter 1:20-21)
      - Zechariah 7:12; Mark 12:36; Acts 1:16; 1 Peter 1:10-12
   C. What Scripture says, God says:
      - Matthew 1:22-23, 19:4-5; Acts 4:25; Hebrews 1:1
“Trustworthy and True” (Infallible)
Psalm 19:7

I. God’s word is perfect and complete
   A. God is omniscient, so his knowledge is complete.
      - Psalm 12:6, 18:30, 33:4; John 10:35
   
   B. God does not lie, so all his words are true.
      - Numbers 23:19; Isaiah 65:16; Titus 1:2; Hebrews 6:18; Psalm 119:160

II. God’s word gives you new life and salvation
   A. God’s word makes you wise for salvation.
      - Psalm 119:93; 2 Timothy 3:15
   
   B. Faith comes from hearing the word of God.
      - Romans 1:16, 10:17; 1 Thessalonians 2:13
   
   C. If anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation.
      - John 5:24; 2 Corinthians 5:17

III. God’s word is a trustworthy guide for your life
   A. God’s word gives you the wisdom you need.
      - Psalm 119:98; Proverbs 2:6; Matthew 7:24
   
   B. God’s word will protect you from every false way.
      - Matthew 22:29; John 8:31-32; Acts 17:11
“Radiant and Right” (Authoritative)
Psalm 19:8

I. God’s word is not only true but right
   A. God’s word gives us moral absolutes.
      - 2 Samuel 12:9; Isaiah 5:20
   
   B. God’s word shows you the right way to live.
      - Psalm 43:3; Psalm 119:105, 130

II. God’s word has authority because God has authority
   A. God created you, so he has authority over you.
      - Ecclesiastes 12:1,13-14; John 5:24
   
   B. One day every person will confess that Jesus is Lord.
      - Philippians 2:9-11

III. God’s way is not only right but best
   A. God created you, so he know what is best for you.
      - Proverbs 6:23; Isaiah 8:20
   
   B. True joy comes only from following God’s Word.
      - Joshua 1:8; Psalm 1:1-3; Luke 11:28
   
   C. We cannot pick and choose — we must obey all of it.
      - Deuteronomy 12:32; 1 Timothy 6:3-4; 1 John 5:3-5
“Sure and Pure” (Everlasting)
Psalm 19:9

I. God’s word is worthy of your deepest respect
   A. The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom.
      - Proverbs 9:10

   B. Respect for God includes respect for God’s word.
      - Psalm 111:10; Ecclesiastes 12:13

II. God’s word is everlasting because it is pure
   A. God’s word is completely holy and pure.
      - Psalm 12:6; Psalm 119:140

   B. Only that which is pure lasts forever.
      - Psalm 93:5; 1 Peter 1:18-25

III. God’s word is everlasting because it is sure.
   A. God’s word is firmly established.
      - Psalm 119:89, 152

   B. God’s word does not expire or change.
      - 1 Chronicles 16:15; Matthew 5:17-18

   C. All of God’s word is righteous and lasts forever.
      - Psalm 111:7-8; Psalm 119:160; Matthew 24:35
“More Precious Than Gold” (Priceless)
Psalm 19:10-11

I. There is nothing more valuable than God’s word
   A. God’s words are more precious than gold.
      - Psalm 119:72, Psalm 138:2, Proverbs 8:10-11

   B. God’s word has value both for this life and the life to come.
      - Psalm 73:24-26, 1 Timothy 4:8

II. There is nothing sweeter than God’s word
   A. God’s words are like food for the soul.
      - Job 23:12, Psalm 119:103, Matthew 4:4

   B. God’s word offers you far greater pleasures than the world.
      - Jeremiah 15:16, Hebrews 6:5, 1 Peter 2:2-3, 1 John 2:17

III. The greatest value comes in not only knowing but keeping God’s word
   A. God’s word will guard you from many troubles in life.
      - Psalm 119:127-128, Proverbs 8:34-36

   B. There is great reward in keeping God’s commands.
      - Psalm 16:11, Hebrews 4:2
“A Prayer to Be Pleasing to God” (Sanctifying)  
Psalm 19:12-14

I. God’s word leads you to confess your sins
   A. We are more sinful than we know (12a)  
      - Jeremiah 17:9; Hebrews 4:12-13

   B. Ask God to forgive even your hidden faults (12b)  
      - Psalm 139:23-24; 1 Corinthians 4:4

II. God’s word leads you to ask for deliverance from sin
   A. Ask God to keep you from deliberate sin (13a)  
      - Numbers 15:27-31; Matthew 6:13; John 17:15-17

   B. Ask God to break the power of ruling sin (13b)  
      - Psalm 119:133; Acts 20:32; James 1:21

III. God’s word gives you a new desire to please him with your life
   A. Seek to please him with both your words and your heart (14a)  
      - Psalm 119:9-11; Romans 6:17-18; Romans 12:2

   B. Acknowledge the LORD as your Rock and Redeemer (14b)  
      - Psalm 62:1-2; Titus 2:14