

**Learn What God
Wants You to Know**

Creation Tells Us

GOD IS REAL!

PART 2



OUR DAILY BREAD

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SOMETHING YOU MUST KNOW:

God is perfect. He is Holy. We are all sinners. *For all have sinned, and come short of the glory of God.*

(Romans 3:23a KJB)

None of us could ever make ourselves perfect or holy to be accepted by God. But God loves us all so much, that He gave His only Son, the Lord Jesus Christ, to go to the cross and pay the penalty for our sins IN FULL, ONCE and FOR ALL. Jesus died and rose again. Because of the Lord Jesus Christ, God can now make us holy and acceptable to Himself. *For Christ also hath once suffered for sins, the just for the unjust, that he might bring us to God, being put to death in the flesh, but quickened by the Spirit.* (1 Peter 3:18 KJB)

Jesus Christ is our ONLY WAY to God and heaven.

Jesus saith unto him, I am the way, the truth, and the life, no man cometh unto the Father, but by me.

(John 14:6 KJB)

Believe on the Lord Jesus Christ, and thou shalt be saved. (Acts 16:31 KJB)

Without Jesus Christ, you can NEVER be accepted by God or go to heaven. When you believe in Jesus Christ as your Savior, God makes you His child. When you leave this world, you will spend all of eternity with Him! *But as many as received him to them gave he power to become the sons of God, even to them that believe on his name.* (John 1:12 KJB) While you are still here on earth, learn His beautiful Word. Believe it and obey it, so you can enjoy all God has done for you.

Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly in all wisdom.

(Colossians 3:16a KJB)

"The fool hath said in his heart,
There is no God."

Psalm 14:1 KJB

That is what THE LORD says! He says that those who say in their hearts that "THERE IS NO GOD" are

fools!

What does the word FOOL mean here in this scripture? The FOOL here is anyone who LACKS the UNDERSTANDING or the GOOD SENSE to know that GOD IS REAL. The FOOL here does NOT lack this understanding or good sense because they are unintelligent. They lack this UNDERSTANDING & GOOD SENSE to know that GOD IS REAL because they CHOOSE in their PRIDE not to have this UNDERSTANDING or GOOD SENSE! The FOOL here is the person - any person - even the most INTELLIGENT person in this world - the person who willfully IGNORES or REJECTS every PROOF that God has given them to show them that HE IS REAL!

Last week we learned that the 1st man & woman did NOT start out as a FOOLS! In fact, they were both VERY INTELLIGENT & UNDERSTOOD FOR CERTAIN that God is REAL! See Genesis 1-3. Then we studied Romans 1:18-23 in our King James Bible to find out how lots of mankind decided to TRADE the TRUTH that God is REAL for the LIES of Satan. We learned that as history moved forward, lots of people decided they would worship god's that they or others made up instead of worshipping the ONE TRUE LIVING GOD! Then, as more time went by from the original creation of man, more & more people CHOSE to IGNORE all God's PROOFS that He is REAL, & CHOSE to believe that He does NOT exist AT ALL!



We learned that the 1st man & woman had a very CLOSE relationship with God. Then as time went on & as more people came into the world, more & more people began to turn their backs on God! More & more people began to move further & further AWAY from the LIVING & TRUE GOD until many say that THERE IS NO GOD! Romans 1:21-23 tells us the steps that mankind took AWAY from God as time moved on from that 1st man Adam & the woman.

1. "Because that, when they knew God, they glorified *him* not as God..."



So the 1st step was that even though they KNEW that God is REAL, many people decided that they did NOT have to believe, obey or worship God. They no longer gave God the rightful place in their hearts that He deserves - that He ALONE should be worshipped & obeyed as Rev 4:11 says! Also read Psalm 86:9-10. It tells us that one day The Lord ALONE will be glorified as God! And the next step was that:

2. "neither were thankful..."

They were NO LONGER THANKFUL to Him for all His wonderful blessings! Did you know that God sends blessings even upon those who do NOT believe in Him! Yes! This is TRUE! Read Matthew 5:45! He does this for many reasons. Perhaps some day we'll learn about some of them! Here is just one example of some of the wonderful things which God does for ALL mankind: Psalm 104:13-14 KJB

"He watereth the hills from his chambers: the earth is satisfied with the fruit of thy works.'

He causeth the grass to grow for the cattle, and herb for the service of man: that he may bring forth food out of the earth."

Also read Psalm 146 & 147 ! Here is what God tells us in Psalm 107. Verse 8 says

“Oh that *men* would praise the LORD *for* His goodness, and *for* his wonderful works to the children of men.”

But instead of praising & thanking God, many people

3. “... became vain in their imaginations.”

As they turned their back on God more & more, the more WORTHLESS & USELESS their THINKING (their imagination) became. They stopped searching for what God has to say about things, & turned to their own way of thinking which is really USELESS because ONLY GOD KNOWS WHAT IS ABSOLUTELY TRUE ABOUT EVERYTHING!

4. “and their foolish heart was darkened.

As we saw last week, right there in the Garden of Eden, mankind began to listen to SATAN’S DARK LIES instead of GOD’S GLORIOUS TRUTH! They began worshipping “gods” that they made up! Here is what happened:

5. “Professing themselves to be wise, they became fools.

They started to think that THEY were WISE! More & more people - especially today - HATE for others to tell them what to do! And they especially do NOT think they need God to tell them what is right & wrong! Oh how WRONG they are! Only God knows everything about everything & what will happen in the future. Only He knows what is RIGHT for us to do each day! We NEED Him to direct our lives! But what did many people do? They

6. “...changed the glory of the uncorruptible God into an image made like to corruptible man,



and to birds, and fourfooted beasts, and creeping things.”

As we said, man turned from the LIVING & TRUE GOD down to worshipping “gods” which they made up.

And then the furthest step away was this: Romans 1:21 KJB

“Who changed the truth of God into a lie, and worshipped and served the creature more than the Creator, who is blessed for ever. Amen

People moved so far away from God, that they say that God does NOT exist! And some even openly worship SATAN - the father of lies! See John 8:44 KJB

But no matter what MAN may think in his or her foolish imagination, God says that NONE will have any excuse at all for not believing that He is real! And He says that His CREATION which is visible to ALL is His MAIN PROOF to ALL mankind that He is REAL! (Even blind people can feel & touch & smell God’s created things!) And what did we learn last week that His CREATION PROVES or SHOWS CLEARLY about God?

“But the invisible things of him (God) from the creation of the world are clearly seen, being understood by the things that are made, *even* his eternal power and Godhead; so that they are without excuse.”



Romans 1:20 KJB

Last week we challenged you to look closely at some of God’s CREATED THINGS! We challenged you to see if you could explain how some of them show us His POWER &

DIVINE NATURE - what He is like! How the things you can see, feel, touch, smell can teach us about God whom we cannot see! What examples did you find? Well here is one example of which King David from long ago wrote & which is STILL visible to us each & every day!

“When I consider thy heavens,
the work of thy fingers, the moon
and the stars, which thou hast or-
dained.”

What is man, that thou art
mindful of him” and the son of
man, that thou visitest him?”

Psalm 8:3-4 KJB



Have YOU looked up at the sky lately & really thought about how that all got up there in such ORDER & PERFECTION? Have you really thought about how CAREFULLY each & every star & planet, the sun & moon are placed? Have you really thought about how FAITHFULLY each appear each & every day for OUR benefit - to give us LIGHT & HEAT & ENERGY? To help us with DIRECTIONS when we travel & to help us tell TIME! Oh how WISE & POWERFUL & FAITHFUL & CARING God is to have created the heavens with such order & splendor & usefulness to man! The HEAVENS truly DO show us that GOD IS REAL! They show us what Psalm 147:5 says of God!

Many people say that some BIG EXPLOSION put the heavens up there! Do you really think that a BIG BANG could put the sun, the moon & all those stars up there so PERFECTLY & KEEP THEM in

those SPECIAL SPOTS - JUST FAR ENOUGH away from this little old planet earth not to BURN IT UP, yet close enough to give us light & heat? All I have ever seen BIG BANGS OR EXPLOSIONS do is make ONE BIG MESS! Only a WISE & LIVING GOD could put all those things up there in the heavens so PERFECTLY & KEEP THEM there WORKING PERFECTLY all these centuries! The HEAVENS show us CLEARLY that GOD IS REAL! God says so & any sensible person should understand that FACT! Here is what God says about the heavens PROVING that He is REAL - WISE - POWERFUL - LOVING - FAITHFUL:

"The heavens declare the glory of God; and the firmament sheweth (shows) his handywork. Psalm 19:1 KJB

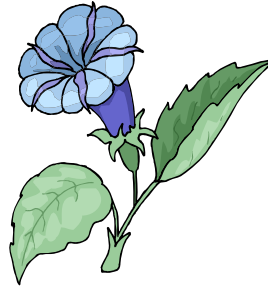
It was King David who wrote that Psalm too! He sure was NOT A FOOL! He KNEW God is REAL & He BELIEVED & WORSHIPPED GOD WITH ALL HIS HEART!

Our universe is VERY ORDERLY & PRECISE! The sun rises and sets at certain times. As each season comes, the plants & animals in all parts of the world respond in just the right way to be able to survive the weather & temperature changes. Our universe shows us that God is concerned about every detail of our life! The FLOWERS especially show us this. They are another part of God's creation that



show us His POWER & HIS DIVINE NATURE - what He is like - His kindness & care, His wisdom & faithfulness - His beauty & glory! Here are 2 flowers that show us this:

One is called the MORNING GLORY. It opens up only in the morning just as the last star in the sky disappears & the sun rises. It comes in beautiful shades of pink, blue, purple, white. It is shaped like a trumpet



to announce the new day. As afternoon comes, it closes. In the very center of the flower is a beautiful STAR shape - just like the last “morning star” just before sunrise.



The other flower is called the MOON GLORY. It opens up only in the evening as the sun goes down & the first stars appear in the sky. It is the same shape as the morning glory - like a trumpet to announce the evening. But it only comes in a beautiful white color that shimmers like the MOON. WHAT A COINCIDENCE!!! And in the center is - GUESS WHAT - a beautiful STAR shape - like all the stars of the evening sky. The MOON GLORY has a beautiful fragrance, just like perfume! Read Mathew 6:25-34

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Sunday Morning Service

10:00 A.M.

Sunday Transportation Service ~ Call 24 hours Prior

Weekly Services

Wednesday & Friday Evenings, 7:30 P.M.

Prayer Meeting

Wednesday & Friday Evenings, 7:00-7:20 P.M.

Communion Service

First Sunday of Every Month

Children's Prep School (Ages 5-14) & Mother's Room

Available for Every Service

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Directions

From I-95

- RI Exit #22; *Left* at split to **Rt. 6 W.**
- Take Killingly St (Rt. 128) Exit; *Right* off Exit.
- Take Killingly to end; *Right* on Manton Ave; cross bridge.
- Turn *Left* at light (CVS on corner), and then bear *Left* at the split. You are now on Woonasquatucket Ave.
- Go about 1 mi.
- **G.C.F.** is on the *Left*.

From Rt. 146

- Mineral Spring Ave Exit in Providence.
- From **146 N** turn *Left* off Exit; from **146 S** turn *Right*.
- Take Mineral Spring to end and stay *Left* around the rotary (pass North Providence Town Hall).
- Take next *Right* onto Woonasquatucket Ave.
- Go about 1½ mi.
- **G.C.F.** is on the *Right*.



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