

# Rightly Responding to the Revelation of God

## Psalm 19

Christianity is not based on speculative philosophy; it is a revealed faith. The basic claim of the Christian faith is that the truth we embrace comes to us from God Himself.

Christianity makes a distinction between general revelation (in creation) and special revelation (in the Bible). (R. C. Sproul, <https://www.monergism.com/general-and-special-revelation>)

### I. God Has Revealed Himself Through the World He Has Created (vss. 1-6)

Romans 1:18-21

### II. God Has Revealed Himself Through the Word He Has Inspired (vss. 7-11)

In the first part of the Psalm – when referring to the general revelation of the world God has created – David simply refers to Him as *'ēl*, but in the rest of the Psalm – when referring to the special revelation of God's word – David refers to Him seven times by the divine personal, covenant name *Yahweh*, indicated in most translations by the word *LORD* rendered in all capital letters.

Matthew 24:35

2 Timothy 3:16-17

John Bunyan is reported to have written in his own Bible that “This Book will keep you from sin, or sin will keep you from this Book.” (<https://acacia.pairsite.com/Acacia.John.Bunyan/About.This.Site.html>)

### III. We Are Obligated to Respond Rightly to the Revelation of God (vss. 12-14)

In referring to “secret faults” in verse 12, David repeats the Hebrew word *sātar*, which he had already used in verse 6 to assert that “nothing is *hidden* from [the sun's] heat.”