

The Glory of God
Genesis 1:1

God's glory in scripture is revealed in two categories *intrinsic glory* and *ascribed glory*.

Intrinsic glory is the glory that is inherent in God Himself. His holiness, sovereignty, righteousness, grace, truth, goodness, mercy, justice, omnipresence, omniscience, omnipotence, and more. All these divine perfections constitute his intrinsic glory.

Isaiah 42:8 I am the LORD; that is my name; my glory I give to no other, nor my praise to carved idols.

Exodus 33:22 and while my glory passes by I will put you in a cleft of the rock, and I will cover you with my hand until I have passed by.

Exodus 34:6-7 The LORD passed before him and proclaimed, "The LORD, the LORD, a God merciful and gracious, slow to anger, and abounding in steadfast love and faithfulness, ⁷ keeping steadfast love for thousands, forgiving iniquity and transgression and sin, but who will by no means clear the guilty, visiting the iniquity of the fathers on the children and the children's children, to the third and the fourth generation."

James 2:1 My brothers, show no partiality as you hold the faith in our Lord Jesus Christ, the Lord of glory.

Ascribed glory is man's response to God's revealing of His intrinsic glory.

Psalms 29:1-2 Ascribe to the LORD, O heavenly beings, ascribe to the LORD glory and strength. ² Ascribe to the LORD the glory due his name; worship the LORD in the splendor of holiness.

Romans 1:18-20 For the wrath of God is revealed from heaven against all ungodliness and unrighteousness of men, who by their unrighteousness suppress the truth. ¹⁹ For what can be known about God is plain to them, because God has shown it to them. ²⁰ For his invisible attributes, namely, his eternal power and divine nature, have been clearly perceived, ever since the creation of the world, in the things that have been made. So they are without excuse.

Intrinsic Glory is revealed by God in two ways through *creation*. In theological terms this called *general revelation*.

Acts 17:24-27 The God who made the world and everything in it, being Lord of heaven and earth, does not live in temples made by man, ²⁵ nor is he served by human hands, as though he needed anything, since he himself gives to all mankind life and breath and everything. ²⁶ And he made from one man every nation of mankind to live on all the face of the earth, having determined allotted periods and the boundaries of their dwelling place, ²⁷ that they should seek God, and perhaps feel their way toward him and find him. Yet he is actually not far from each one of us,

The second is through *Scripture* which in theological terms is called *special revelation*.

Romans 10:17 So faith comes from hearing, and hearing through the word of Christ.

In Psalm 19 David tells us three things about God's Glory

- 1) How creation so wonderfully displays God's intrinsic glory.
- 2) How much more wonderfully God displays His intrinsic glory in his Word.
- 3) How glorious it is to heed/obey God's revealed glory in Scripture.

Glory of God in Creation (1-6)

Psalm 19:1 The heavens declare the glory of God, and the sky above proclaims his handiwork.

Heavens: that which is beyond our stratosphere.

Declare: make a written record, to make known, to announce, to report, to tell

The sky above: the atmosphere, clouds weather, wind etc.

Proclaim: to be conspicuous

Psalm 19:2 Day to day pours out speech, and night to night reveals knowledge.

Pour out: to gush or bubble.

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Psalm 19:3-4a There is no speech, nor are there words, whose voice is not heard. ⁴ Their voice goes out through all the earth, and their words to the end of the world.

Psalm 19:4b-5 In them he has set a tent for the sun, ⁵ which comes out like a bridegroom leaving his chamber, and, like a strong man, runs its course with joy.

Psalm 8:3–4 (ESV)

- ³ When I look at your heavens, the work of your fingers,
the moon and the stars, which you have set in place,
⁴ what is man that you are mindful of him,
and the son of man that you care for him?

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John 3:16–17 “For God so loved the world, that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life. ¹⁷ For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him.