

Psalm 19

Refrain: Glory and praise to God whose word brings life!

The heavens declare the glory of God;
And the vault of the sky reveals God's handiwork.

**One day speaks to another,
And night shares its knowledge with night,**

And this without speech or language;
Their voices are not heard.

**But their sound goes out to all the lands,
Their words to the ends of the earth. R.**

In the heavens God has pitched a tent for the sun
Which comes out like a bridegroom from under the canopy,
Like an athlete eager to run the race.

**Its rising is at one end of the sky,
It runs its course to the other,
And there is nothing that is hidden from its heat. R.**

God's law is perfect, refreshing the soul;

**God's instruction is sure,
Giving wisdom to the simple;**

God's precepts are right, rejoicing the heart;

**God's commandment is pure
Giving light to the eyes;**

God's fear is clean, enduring forever;

**God's judgements are true,
Every one of them righteous;**

More desirable than gold, even much fine gold;

**Sweeter also than honey,
Pure honey from the comb. R.**

By them is your servant warned;

For in keeping them there is great reward.

But who can discern unwitting sins?

O cleanse me from my secret faults.

Keep your servant also from presumptuous sins,

Lest they get the better of me.

Then shall I be clean and innocent of great offence. R.

All: Let the words of my mouth

And the thoughts of my heart

Be acceptable in your sight, O God,

My strength and my redeemer.