

# Opening the Books

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## I. Introduction.

A. Text: Psalm 19.

B. The knowledge of God has been written in two volumes—it takes two volumes to know God.

1. Revelation of nature.

2. Revelation of the book.

## II. Nature declares God's glory and power.

A. God's glory is spread through the firmament.

B. Truth about God pours out to us from all dimensions.

C. God has designed it that nature should teach man about His being.

D. Men are exposed to the truth of God in creation but they reject it. (Romans 1)

E. The results of a rejection of God.

1. Men become distorted.

2. Science has become our destroyer in many ways.

## III. God's law and testimony.

A. The law of the Lord is perfect and complete—it revives the soul.

B. The testimony of the Lord is sure.

C. The word of the Lord is right.

1. The Bible has immorality.

2. However, the Bible never paints immorality improperly.

3. The fear of the Lord keeps one from defiling himself.

4. The Lord accomplishes righteousness.

5. Our distortions keep us from understanding ourselves.

6. God cleanses from hidden faults by using other people.

7. We should never act with presumption.

IV. Praying that God would help us speak and act acceptably opens God's book and His nature to us.

**Application questions:**

1. How has God revealed Himself in nature to you? Why does this revelation hold all people accountable?

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2. What does the Bible do that nature does not as far as revelation is concerned?

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3. How can a believer approach the Bible and nature appropriately in order to understand God through them?

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