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● Intro Music - “My Father Is So Good To Me”

Hi, my name is Carl Vasta and I would like to welcome you to the Bible Seeds section here, at Understanding God’s Word. This is where I get to comment on biblical readings and stories that brings the bible into what’s happening to us in our daily lives.

I’ll touch on such topics as Family Prayer or Why I Believe There Is A God. I’ll talk about what was predicted that makes these the Terrible Times In The Last Days or how to Have A Daily Meaningful Relationship With God.

Today's topic is: **Reflecting God’s Glory**

Did you ever see a whole field of wildflowers, golden poppies or another species of wildflower, in full bloom. And for what seems as miles of flowers covering the hills and fields like an artist painted the landscape?

Or beautiful orchids blooming and flowers from exotic plants among the palm trees and waterfalls in the South Pacific islands?

Have you experienced a dark black night you couldn’t see anything around you, but in the sky, from practically one horizon to the other had hundreds of small Perseid meteors, flashing among the bright stars in the heavens and it took your breath away?

I once heard a veteran sailor tell of being on a battle ship near the Mariana trench, the deepest point in the World’s oceans, in rough seas.

He said he never saw waves that high. It would take the ship and lift it high enough that the propellers would make the whole ship vibrate and shake. Then the next moment the ship would be at the low end of the wave and you could look up and see the top of the wave was over the ship.

All of these things give glory to God! When we think of the enormity of whole universe expanding into the vastness of space and we ask, “Where are we? Where is this universe contained? Is it in a giant box or container?” Ridiculous! But really, where does it exist, and where are we? Our minds cannot comprehend it, and anybody you ask have no answers!

But I have an answer . . . All of it, the universe, the stars and planets, the Earth, all life on the Earth . . . **exist in the mind of God** and that is why **whatever He wills is done.**

All life reflects God’s glory without even willing it. But humans have trouble giving glory to God even though deep inside they know there is a Creator. Even a small child can reflect God’s glory by the look of innocence on their face and in their actions.

Even though we can come to the conclusion that God is our real creator and not some great explosion which generally brings chaos or strange chemicals under pressure that can create the start of life, **the real reflection of God’s glory is found in the scripture of the bible.**

In the beginning God, who is Spirit with no body created us from the dust of the Earth as a **man** and a **woman** who was given free will and able to pro-create their own kind. He desired a relationship with us and throughout the bible God revealed Himself by speaking directly to his creation through the **“Word of God” [Jesus]** who is the second part of God. He spoke throughout the **“Old Testament”** to the prophets and was born in

the flesh by the third part of God, **the Holy Spirit** and given the name of **Jesus**.

God also revealed Himself as a burning bush, a column of fire, different parts of the human body, His face, His eyes, His ear, His hand.

God not only describes Himself in human form but also describes Himself as human emotions like rejoicing, or He laughs, He gets angry, or grieving or of God dreading and other emotions.

God describes himself as professions. He describes Himself as a husband, as a Father, as a shepherd.

He is a rock, He is a refuge, He is a strong tower, He is a shield, He is a hiding place.

Scripture uses all creation to describe the LORD. Everything reflects His glory. The sun, the moon, the stars.

Moses tells the Hebrews before they set out for the "Promise Land" ***"When you read the scriptures, you are sitting at the feet of God and you are listening to his voice."*** (Deuteronomy Chapter 33: verse 3)

God told Moses in the book of Exodus, Chapter 33: verse 20; ***"You cannot see My face, for no one can see Me and live."***

At the Sermon on the Mount, Jesus says at the 8th Beatitude, ***"Blessed are the pure in heart, for they shall see God."*** (Matthew 5:8)

The pure in heart is a person who is not divided between the worldly ways and the ways of God. They are single hearted and have no love for the things in this world that is greater than their love for God.

In the new testament, book of **John at Chapter 14: verses 6-11**; Jesus tells his disciples He is going to prepare a place for them and they know the way. **Thomas said to Him, "Lord, we do not know where You are going and how can we know the way?"**

Jesus said to him, "I am the way, the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through Me. If you had known Me, you would have known my Father also; and from now on you know Him and have seen Him"

Philip said to Him, "Lord, show us the Father, and it is sufficient for us."

Jesus said to him, "Have I been with you so long, and yet you have not known Me, Philip? He who has seen Me has seen the Father, so how can you say, 'Show us the Father'?"

"Do you not believe that I am in the Father and the Father in Me? The words that I speak to you I do not speak on My own authority; but the Father who dwells in Me does the works. Believe Me that I am in the Father and the Father in Me, or else believe Me for the sake of the works themselves."

If you are seeking the **true reflection of the glory of God**, look at **Jesus**, who mirrors every aspect of God. He is shining example of the relationship that God wants with us. God loves us like He loves His son Jesus because we have put our faith in Jesus who died and rose from death for us.

From the *Book of Luke, Chapter 10: verse 22*, Jesus told his disciples,

“All things have been delivered to me by My Father, and no one knows who the Son is except the Father, and no one knows who the Father is except the Son and the person to whom the Son chooses to reveal Him.”

And finally from the book of *Romans, Chapter 10: verse 9*, Paul tells us, ***“that if you confess with your mouth the Lord Jesus and believe in your heart that God has raised Him from the dead, you will be saved.”***

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I would like you to know how much GOD loves you. He is ready and waiting to help you. You just need to believe that He exists and has created all things and has given ***His Son Jesus, the good shepherd*** to bring you back to him.

This is why I put together these pod casts, starting with **The Storyline Of The Bible**, 19 easy understandable pod casts that take you from Genesis, the first book of the bible- to Revelation, the last book of the bible.

And beyond that, there are **The Stories And Quotes From Jesus**, which will help you to strengthen your faith in God. And now I have just added these **Bible Seeds**: my commentary on some of these readings.

You can find all of this and print out the **PDFs** for **Storyline Of The Bible** and **Quotes and Stories from Jesus**. You can download the MP3s, Videos, and my original music from my website: www.carlvasta.com Everything is free and there are no sign ups. Enjoy!

Ending The Program

This is your host Carl Vasta and I thank you for tuning in to Bible Seeds at Understanding God's Word.

New podcasts are released on Sundays at 12:30PM Pacific Coast Time. ***God bless you and your loved ones and remember. . .***