A. **God Has Spoken in the Heavens. Psalm 19:1-6.** About God and His Message:

1. God is very much interested in communicating with **us humans**.
   a. God loves to communicate (Pic of Tahrir Square, Cairo)

2. He has left a record of His **glory** and His **craftsmanship** in the sky. **19:1**
   a. The heavens are telling of the glory of God;
   b. And their expanse is telling of the work of His hands.
   c. God’s glory. (Pic of Carina Nebula)
   d. God’s craftsmanship (Pic of Composite Solar System)

3. God is a **persistent** communicator. He repeats this message day after day and night after night. **19:2**
   a. Day to day pours forth speech,
   b. And night to night reveals knowledge.
   c. Day after day - Sunrise (pic of sunrise at sea)
   d. Night after night - Moonrise (pic of moon rising)

4. God is a **subtle** communicator. His message has no sound track – just video. You have to concentrate to pick up the plot. **19:3**
   a. There is no speech, nor are there words;
   b. Their voice is not heard.
   c. Silent Message (Pic of Globular Star Cluster NGC 6397)
5. God’s message is for all people. People all over the globe have access to His communication, no matter where they live. 19:4a
   a. Their line has gone out through all the earth,
   b. And their utterances to the end of the world.
   c. Message for all people. (Pic of Europe, Western Asia, and North Africa at night)

6. The most prominent feature of God’s message is the sun. 19:4b-6
   a. Ps. 19:4b: In them has He placed a tent for the sun,
   b. Most prominent feature (Pic of sun: Sun emits Mid-Level Flare)
   c. The sun is excited about his journey across the sky each day. 19:5
      1) As excited as a groom on his wedding day: (Pic of Bride and Groom tags)
      2) 5b It rejoices as a strong man to run his course (Pic of Michael Johnson: “Michael Johnson, Sprinter – World Record holder – 400 meters) (Gold medal winner, 1996 and 2000 Olympics; 200 meter winner, 1996 Olympics)
      3) (Pic of Usain Bolt, Jamaica, World’s fastest man) (Gold medal winner of 100 meters and 200 meters in 2008 and 2012 Olympics)
      4) It is a world-wide message. 19:6a
         a) Its rising is from one end of the heavens,
         b) And its circuit to the other end of them;
      5) It is a powerful message – no one can ignore its heat. 19:6b
         a) And there is nothing hidden from its heat.
7. People must **choose** to receive God’s message from the Heavens.
   
a. Or they can choose to ignore it.

b. Or reject and distort it.

8. All will be held **responsible** for it. They have no excuse.
   
a. All are responsible. *Romans 1:18-20*

   1) 18 For the wrath of God is revealed from heaven against all ungodliness and unrighteousness of men who suppress the truth in unrighteousness,

   2) 19 because that which is known about God is evident within them; for God made it evident to them.

   3) 20 For since the creation of the world His invisible attributes, His eternal power and divine nature, have been clearly seen, being understood through what has been made, **so that they are without excuse**.

9. Have YOU heard God speak? (Pic of eyes and galaxy)

10. Have you asked someone else if they have listened? (Pic of galaxy and a woman talking)

**B. God Has Spoken in His Word. Psalm 19:7-11** (Pic of open Bible)

1. **Perfect** Speech (Pic of Torah scroll) *Psalm 19:7a*

   a. 7a The Law of the LORD is perfect, restoring the soul

   1) Perfect means “Blameless, without defect”

   2) Do you let God’s Word restore your soul? (Pic of woman thinking)

      a) It requires **TIME**

      b) You must be **INTENTIONAL** about it

      c) You must be **PERSISTENT** at reading God’s Word
2. **Reliable** Speech (Pic of Torah scroll) 19:7b
   a. 7b ... The testimony of the LORD is sure, making wise the simple.
      1) Sure means “Reliable; trustworthy”
      2) Simple means “Naïve, not “street smart” in living
   b. If you spend time in God’s Word (Pic of guy reading Bible)
      1) You will be less likely to make unwise choices.

3. **Righteous** Speech (Pic of Torah scroll) 19:8a
   a. The precepts of the LORD are right, rejoicing the heart;
      1) Right means “upright”
   b. If you follow God’s Word (Pic – Silhouette of woman on hilltop)
      1) You will have a clear conscience
      2) You will have more joy.

4. **Pure** Speech (Pic of Torah scroll) 19:8b
   a. ... The commandment of the LORD is pure, enlightening the eyes
      1) Pure means “clean, innocent”
      2) God’s Word helps me ...
         a) So I can see clearly.
         b) and know what steps to take in my life.

5. **Clean, Eternal** Speech. (Pic of Mt. Sinai) 19:9a
   a. The fear of the LORD is clean, enduring forever;
      1) The giving of the LAW at Mt. Sinai was a fearful event.
      2) Clean means “clean, pure”
      3) Enduring forever means “It takes a stand always”
b. God’s Word:
   1) God’s Word is uncontaminated by worldly, secular, diabolical thinking.
   2) Am I afraid to disobey it?
   3) Will I take a stand with and alongside of God’s Word?
   4) Or will I be silent, or at best wishy washy?

6. **True and Righteous Speech** (Pic of Mt. Sinai) 19:9b
   a. ... The judgments of the LORD are true;
   b. They are righteous altogether.
   c. True means “The embodiment of truth and reliability”
   d. Righteous means “The right and fair thing to do.”
   e. If I follow God’s Word...
      1) My actions will be based on something that is true and reliable.
      2) What I do will be the right and fair thing to do.

7. **Desirable Speech.** 19:10
   a. 10 They are more desirable than gold, yes, than much fine gold;
   b. More desirable than gold (Pic of gold coins)
   c. Sweeter also than honey and the drippings of the honeycomb.
   d. Sweeter than honey (Pic of bees and honeycomb)
   e. Is God’s Word better than ...
      1) winning the lottery? (Pic of lottery winner)
   f. Is God’s Word better than ...
      1) eating your favorite dessert? (Pic of chocolate dessert with raspberries)
8. **Valuable Speech. 19:11**
   
a.  11 Moreover, by them Your servant is warned (Pic of civil defense siren)
   
b.  In keeping them there is great reward. (Pic of helicopter rescue)

C. **A Prayer of Response. Psalm 19:12-14** (Pic of man sitting and praying)

1. For Preservation from **Evil 19:12-13**
   
a.  For **Forgiveness. 19:12**
      
1)  12 Who can discern his errors?
      
2)  Acquit me of hidden faults.
   
b.  For **Preservation. 19:13**
      
1)  13 Also keep back Your servant from presumptuous sins;
      
2)  Let them not rule over me;
      
3)  Then I will be blameless,
      
4)  And I shall be acquitted of great transgression.

2. That God will **accept** my worship. **19:14**
   
a.  14 Let the words of my mouth
   
b.  and the meditation of my heart
   
c.  Be acceptable in Your sight,
   
d.  LORD my rock and my Redeemer.

3. My response
   
a.  God’s Word will lead me to confess my sins.
   
b.  God’s Word will cause me to pray to be preserved from sinning.
   
c.  God’s Word will give me faith to keep living a holy life.
   
d.  I pray that God will find my worship acceptable.
4. God has spoken in the heavens. (Pic of nighttime sky)
   a. Have you heard the message? (Same pic of nighttime sky)

5. God has spoken through His word. (Pic of open Bible)
   a. Are you taking time to listen? (Same pic of open Bible)

6. Are you making adjustments (Pic of plumber and pipe wrench)
   a. in the way you are living?
   b. and the way you are praying?

7. (Closing composite pic of stars and man reading Bible)

8. Closing Prayer