

15:1 A Psalm of David.

Yahweh,

Who may sojourn in Your tent?
Who may dwell on Your holy mountain?

2 The one who walks with integrity
and the one who practices righteousness
and the one who speaks truth in his mind.

3 Slander is not upon his tongue,
he does not harm his neighbor,
and he does not take up a reproach against one who is near him.

4 A scorner is despised in his view,
but he honors fearers of Yahweh.

He makes a commitment which could harmself him and does not back
out of it,

5 he does not charge interest when he loans his money,
and he won't take a bribe against innocent people.

Whoever practices these things will never be shaken.

19:1 For the music leader. A Psalm of David.

- 2 The heavens are telling a story about
the glory of God,
and the firmament is talking about
the work of His hands.
- 3 Day by day it pours forth speech,
and night by night it makes knowledge known.
- 4 [But] there is no speech,
there are no words,
their voice is not heard.¹
- 5 Throughout all the earth their measuring line has gone forth,
and their words have gone out to the edges of the world.
In them He placed a tent for the sun,
- 6 and it is like a new groom going forth from his bridal chamber,
it rejoices like a warrior to run a course.
- 7 Its going forth is from the edge of the heavens,
and its circuit is at their edge,
and there is nothing which is hidden from its heat.
- 8 The teaching of Yahweh
is perfect,
restoring life.
The testimony of Yahweh
is faithful,
making simpletons wise.
- 9 The precepts of Yahweh
are upright,
making the mind to rejoice.
The commandment of Yahweh
is pure,
enlightening the eyes.
- 10 The fear of Yahweh
is clean,
enduring² forever.
The legal decisions of Yahweh
are true,
they are completely righteous.

¹While many translations say something like “. . . where their voice is not heard”, that is not what the Hebrew says. The idea is that the sky bears witness to God and might as well be shouting at us, but in reality is silent.

²Lit. “standing”.

- 11 They are more desirable
than gold,
than much refined gold,
and they are sweeter
than honey
and the flowing honey from honeycombs.
- 12 Further, Your servant is alerted by them,
there is a great reward for keeping them.
- 13 Who can discern one's own errors?
Acquit me of hidden faults/sins,
- 14 and moreover, hold back Your servant from presumptuous actions,
then I will made mature
and will be acquitted of great transgression.
- 15 May
the words of my mouth
and the active reflections of my mind
be pleasing before You, Yahweh,
my rock³
and my redeemer.

³=deliverer/protection.