

Scripture: Job 37
Singing: 229:1-3 – 37 – 288 – 404

Confession Art 12 (1)

THE CREATED UNIVERSE IS GOD'S DISPLAY OF GLORY

A. God's parades His glory in the universe

1. Bible simply announces that He created all: Gen. 1:1; Heb. 11:3; Is. 44:24
2. He didn't just create: *He created as a 'show and tell' of Himself* Rom. 1:20
 - a. Is. 43:7 deepens our insight
 - b. Job 37 supports the Confession: *He gave to every creature being, shape, form and several offices (different abilities – skills)*

B. He did this totally because it seemed good to Him to do this

1. God has no *need* but a *divine delight in doing what He does*: Acts 17:25; Ps. 50:10-13; Ps. 115:3; 135:6; Rom. 9:20-23; Rev. 4:11

C. But He also did it, so you would respond to His glory in worship and service

1. Ps. 115:16-18 calls us to praise Him now
2. Job 37:14 is a direction to do this via Book of nature leading to Ps. 104

D. Therefore will you serve & praise Him by using your abilities He gave you?

1. The example of Ps. 148
2. Observe in **each** part of the Creation the message about God and of God
 - a. Ps. 147:9 - Ezek. 7:16 - Is. 1:3 - Jer. 8:7 - Prov. 6:30

Reflect: Shall the inanimate creatures out do us?