

## Our Creator and Provider – Part 2

*Psalm 104:19-35*

**Introduction:** The Ere Howl of the Jackal in the Desert

### **The Governing Rhythm of the Heavens** (19-23)

***To Govern Seasons*** (19; Gen. 1:14)

**Genesis 1:14** And God said, "Let there be lights in the expanse of the sky to separate the day from the night, and let them serve as signs to mark seasons and days and years,

***To Govern the Day and Night*** (19-20a; 136:7-9; Is.45:7)

**Psalm 136:7-9** who made the great lights-- *His love endures forever.* <sup>8</sup> the sun to govern the day, *His love endures forever.* <sup>9</sup> the moon and stars to govern the night; *His love endures forever.*

**Isaiah 45:7** I form the light and create darkness, I bring prosperity and create disaster; I, the LORD, do all these things.

***To Govern the Patterns of Creatures*** (20-23)

***Sun, Moon and Stars are Not to be Worship*** (Deut. 4:19)

**Deuteronomy 4:19** And when you look up to the sky and see the sun, the moon and the stars--all the heavenly array--do not be enticed into bowing down to them and worshiping things the LORD your God has apportioned to all the nations under heaven.

**Psalm 74:16** The day is yours, and yours also the night; you established the sun and moon.

**In Wisdom the LORD Made All Things** (24-26; Pr. 8:22-31)

**Proverbs 3:19** By *wisdom* the LORD laid the earth's foundations, by *understanding* he set the heavens in place;

***Wisdom Delights in Creation*** (Pro. 8:22-31)

**Proverbs 8:22-31** "The LORD brought me forth as the first of his works, before his deeds of old; <sup>23</sup> I was appointed from eternity, from the beginning, before the world began. <sup>24</sup> When there were no oceans, I was given birth, when

there were no springs abounding with water; <sup>25</sup> before the mountains were settled in place, before the hills, I was given birth, <sup>26</sup> before he made the earth or its fields or any of the dust of the world. <sup>27</sup> I was there when he set the heavens in place, when he marked out the horizon on the face of the deep, <sup>28</sup> when he established the clouds above and fixed securely the fountains of the deep, <sup>29</sup> when he gave the sea its boundary so the waters would not overstep his command, and when he marked out the foundations of the earth. <sup>30</sup> Then I was the craftsman at his side. I was filled with delight day after day, rejoicing always in his presence, <sup>31</sup> rejoicing in his whole world and delighting in mankind.

***The LORD Gives Creatures in Abundance*** (24-26)

**The LORD Sovereignly Gives Life** (27-30)

***The LORD Gives Life*** (27-28)

***The LORD Takes Away Life*** (29)

***The Spirit Brings Renewal of Life*** (30; Tit. 3:5)

**Titus 3:5** he saved us, not because of righteous things we had done, but because of his mercy. He saved us through the washing of rebirth and renewal by the Holy Spirit,

**Praise for the Greater Glory of the LORD** (31-35)

***Rapturous Delight in the LORD*** (31-34)

***May those who Do NOT Delight in the LORD Perish*** (35)

**Conclusion:** A Heart Aflame for the Glory of God