

Star choral reading

CHARACTERS: A, B, All, Audience

PROPS: sun, moon, "His love endures forever", Bible

RUN TIME: 4 minutes

SCRIPTURE/BASED ON: Genesis 1:1, 14-18; Nehemiah 9:6, Job 38:31-33, Psalm 8:1, 3,4; 19:1-4, 33:6, 136:1, 4-9; 147:4-5; Proverbs 3:19, Isaiah 40:26, 45:12, 18; Jeremiah 10:12, 31:35; Daniel 12:3; Philippians 2:14-16

A: God made the earth by his power

ALL: he founded the world by his wisdom

B: and stretched out the heavens by his understanding.

ALL: The Lord appoints the sun to shine by day

A: and the moon and stars to shine by night

ALL: the Lord Almighty is his name:

B: Great is our Lord and mighty in power;

ALL: his understanding has no limit.

A: Do everything without grumbling or arguing

ALL: so that you may become blameless and pure,

B: children of God without fault in a warped and crooked generation.

ALL: Then you will shine among them like stars in the sky

B: as you hold firmly to the word of life.

ALL: Those who are wise will shine like the brightness of the heavens,

A: and those who lead many to righteousness, like the stars for ever and ever.

ALL: God stretched out the heavens

B: and marshaled their starry hosts.

ALL: He determines the number of the stars and calls them each by name.

A: Can you bind the chains of the Pleiades?

ALL: No

B: Can you loosen Orion's belt?

ALL: No

A: Can you bring forth the constellations in their seasons

B: or lead out the Bear with its cubs?

ALL: No, but God can

A: You alone are the Lord.

ALL: You made the heavens, even the highest heavens

B: You made all their starry host

ALL: You give life to everything

A: Lord, our Lord, how majestic is your name in all the earth!

ALL: You have set your glory in the heavens.

B: When I consider your heavens, the work of your fingers,

ALL: the moon and the stars, which you have set in place,

A: what is mankind that you are mindful of them,

ALL: human beings that you care for them?

B: Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good.

AUDIENCE: His love endures forever.

A: to him who alone does great wonders,

AUDIENCE: His love endures forever.

B: who by his understanding made the heavens,

AUDIENCE: His love endures forever.

A: who spread out the earth upon the waters,

AUDIENCE: His love endures forever.

B: who made the great lights—

AUDIENCE: His love endures forever.

A: the sun to govern the day,

AUDIENCE: His love endures forever.

B: the moon and stars to govern the night;

AUDIENCE: His love endures forever.