

David's Worship, Part 4

Psalm 139

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Summary: From the pen of David we learn of the omniscience, the omnipresence and the creative power of God. This was deeply personal for David, as it is for us. Not being able to escape from God can be terrifying or comforting, depending on our relationship with Him. God is not limited by darkness and He protects us from it. It is God who forms us and weaves us in the womb; an arresting statement of life at conception and the sanctity of human life. We should be thankful and worship God accordingly.

1. A. How does David identify God in verses 1-6? What is He like?
 - B. In what fashion was this deeply personal for David?
Psalm 23
 - C. How is the caring omniscience of God deeply personal for us today?
Job 22:23-26, Psalm 37:3-6, 103:8-14, Proverbs 3:5-8, Isaiah 33:6

2. A. What is the question in Psalm 139:7? What does it mean?
 - B. Not being able to run from God can be very sobering. How so?
Psalm 139:8, 89:32, Amos 9:1-4, Revelation 20:11-15
 - C. God is justified, indeed "*blameless*" when we are punished for our sins (Psalm 51:4). What action has God taken in order to rescue us from this?
Isaiah 53:5-6, Romans 5:8, 10:6-10, I Peter 3:18

3. A. What did the omnipresence of God mean for David and how would that comfort him?
Psalm 139:9-10
 - B. If the darkness of night could not limit God, how would this be encouraging for David?
Psalm 139:11-12

- C. We have a God who overcomes all darkness, and He empowers us to be victorious in our time of darkness. Does that encourage you?
Romans 8:31-39, Philippians 2:12-15, I John 1:5-9
4. A. Who made David before he was born, and what did that mean to him?
Psalm 139:13-14
- B. David was clearly "*made in secret...skillfully*" by the hand of God. What else does God have control over even before we are born?
Psalm 139:15-16
- C. What is a good perspective for us to live by in this regard?
Psalm 90:1-17