

An open scroll of ancient parchment with Hebrew text, flanked by two rolled-up scrolls, and a decorative metal band in the foreground. The parchment is aged and yellowed, with some holes and wear. The metal band is dark with a repeating circular pattern. The background is a light gradient.

The Psalms of King David

Psalm 139



Psalm 139:1-6

O LORD, You have searched me and known *me*.

² You know my sitting down and my rising up;

You understand my thought afar off.

³ You comprehend my path and my lying down,

And are acquainted with all my ways.



Psalm 139:1-6

⁴ For *there is* not a word on my tongue,
But behold, O LORD, You know it altogether.

⁵ You have hedged me behind and before,
And laid Your hand upon me.

⁶ *Such* knowledge *is* too wonderful for me;
It is high, I cannot *attain* it.



Psalm 139:7-12

Where can I go from Your Spirit?

Or where can I flee from Your presence?

⁸ If I ascend into heaven, You *are* there;

If I make my bed in hell, behold, You *are there*.

⁹ *If* I take the wings of the morning,

And dwell in the uttermost parts of the sea,



Psalm 139:7-12

10 Even there Your hand shall lead me,
And Your right hand shall hold me.

11 If I say, “Surely the darkness shall fall on me,”
Even the night shall be light about me;

12 Indeed, the darkness shall not hide from You,
But the night shines as the day;

The darkness and the light *are* both alike *to You*.



Psalm 139:13-19

For You formed my inward parts;
You covered me in my mother's womb.
¹⁴ I will praise You, for I am fearfully *and*
wonderfully made;

Marvelous are Your works,
And *that* my soul knows very well.

¹⁵ My frame was not hidden from You,
When I was made in secret,
And skillfully wrought in the lowest parts of the
earth.



Psalm 139:13-19

16 Your eyes saw my substance, being yet unformed.
And in Your book they all were written,
The days fashioned for me,
When *as yet there were* none of them.

17 How precious also are Your thoughts to me, O God!
How great is the sum of them!

18 *If* I should count them, they would be more in
number than the sand;
When I awake, I am still with You.



Psalm 139:20-24

Oh, that You would slay the wicked, O God!
Depart from me, therefore, you bloodthirsty men.

²⁰ For they speak against You wickedly;
Your enemies take *Your name* in vain.

²¹ Do I not hate them, O LORD, who hate You?
And do I not loathe those who rise up against You?

²² I hate them with perfect hatred;
I count them my enemies.



Psalm 139:20-24

**²³ Search me, O God, and know my heart;
Try me, and know my anxieties;**

**²⁴ And see if *there is any* wicked way in me,
And lead me in the way everlasting.**

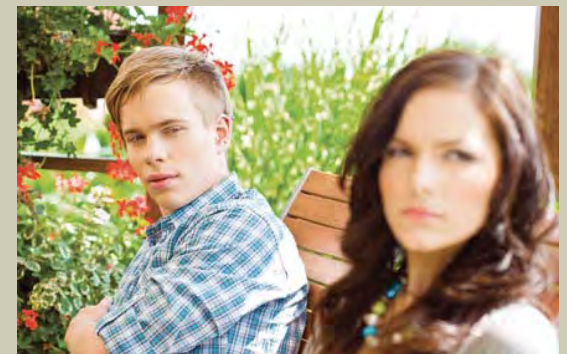


Problems





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God Knows – God Cares

No body understands!

No body likes me!

I am worthless!

I do not want to go on!



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"I'm sorry."



"I'm sad for what I do."

Kendrea Johnson
6 years Old
Minneapolis Star Tribune
Jan, 17th 2015



God is Holy - Different

Psalm 139



God's Omniscience vs. 1-6

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My movements

vs. 2a

You know my sitting down and my rising up

My motives

vs. 2b

You understand my thought afar off.



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My mannerisms

vs. 3-5

The patterns of my life

vs. 3

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And are acquainted with all my ways.



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David's Response

vs. 6

Such knowledge is too wonderful for me;
It is high, I cannot attain it.

Good - Comfort

Bad – Discomfort



God's Omniscience vs. 1-6

O LORD, You have searched me and known me.

God sees all of my life
Actions, Words, Motives, Locations



God's Omnipresence vs. 7-12

Where can I go from Your Spirit?
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God's Omnipresence vs. 7-12

Where can I go from Your Spirit?

Death does not hide us from Him vs. 7-8

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God's Omnipresence vs. 7-12

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God's Omnipresence vs. 7-12

Where can I go from Your Spirit?

God is present with me
always and forever



God's Omnipotence vs. 13-18

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God Loves Me



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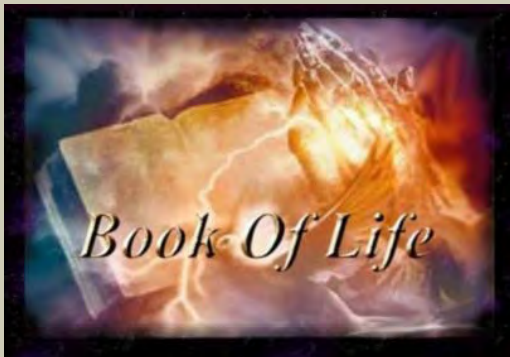




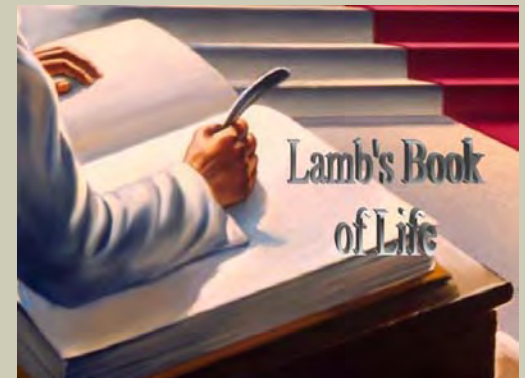
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Revelation 20:12





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