

***God Knows and Loves Us***

# **God Knows All**

**Psalm 139:1-6**

*Additional praises/significant happenings this past week:*

*Ice Breaker:* What's the best thing about having a friend?

**[Read Psalm 139:1-6]**

1. What are some words to describe God if all you knew about Him was from these verses?
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
2. In your own words, what things does He know about you?
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
3. Which statements do you find most comforting? Why?
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
4. Which statements make you uncomfortable? Why?
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
5. How does David feel knowing that God knows everything about him?

6. Are you surprised at how David responded? Why or why not?

7. How do you feel about God's total knowledge about you?

8. What do you think are some advantages of God knowing everything about you? Or why does it matter that God knows you fully?

**Wrap up:**

In what ways has God used this study to adjust your thinking about His care for you?

**Prayer:**

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# **God Sees All**

**Psalm 139:7-12**

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*Ice Breaker:* In the past week/month, who went somewhere you hadn't been before?

**[Read Psalm 139:7-12]**

1. What are some words to describe God if all you knew about Him was from these verses?
2. Discuss the 3 ways or "contrasts" David uses to point out that God is everywhere.
3. How do people try to avoid or run from God? And for what reasons?
4. Have you ever tried to get away from God? Why?
5. We may not be able to get away from God but what might we do to hold God at a distance?

6. How might you expect God to treat those who try to get away from Him?

7. What do you think might be David's purpose in asking the questions in verse 7?

8. What do verses 11-12 say about God's ability to transform even the most hopeless situations?

**Wrap up:**

Is there anything in your life to benefit by exposing it before God's light?

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# **God Creates All**

**Psalm 139:13-18**

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*Ice Breaker:* Describe a favorite painting or 'creation' you have around home?

**[Read Psalm 139:13-18]**

1. What are some words to describe God if all you knew about Him was from these verses?
2. Why does God know you so well? How well does He know each of us?
3. What images does David use to describe God's creation of Him in vv. 13 and 15? Discuss what insight these images portray about your creation.
4. When did God first establish relationship with each of us? What does this say about the unborn?
5. How does David respond in v. 14? Why? And what might this tell us about how we should respond to the way God created each of us?

6. How do these verses tell you about your value to God?

7. How well does God know your future?

8. What difference should that make in the way we make choices? What type of attitude towards His Lordship (leadership) should this encourage?

**Wrap up:** Are there things you have difficulty accepting about yourself...the way you were created? In light of Jesus love, acceptance and forgiveness and how He thinks of you (v. 17) how might that help?

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# **God Loves All**

**Psalm 139:19-24**

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*Ice Breaker:* Which of the following is most significant to you – God knows everything you think and feel, God is always with you or God created you in your mother's womb? Why?

## **[Read Psalm 139:19-24]**

1. Likely David wrote this Psalm soon after becoming king. How does David describe those who don't view and honor God as he does?
2. Why does David hold such negative feelings towards them?
3. As king, David is responsible to love and serve the people but also to maintain justice. What does that create for David as revealed in verse 23?
4. Discuss what it might have been like to "sit in David's throne" as ruler and judge.
5. Do you find it hard to "hate" the sin but "love" the sinner? Why or why not?

6. What tension have you experienced while hating what someone does while still knowing you should love them with the love of Christ? Do you have an example without naming names?
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
7. What was David's desperate plea? What might that tell you about his attitude towards and dependence upon God?
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
8. Why is it so important we grasp and maintain this same posture before God today?

**Wrap up:** Are there any “anxious thoughts” you need to look to Lord for help and guidance?

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