

He's All around Me
Ps 139:1-24

A lot of people think the Christian life is like the game "hide and go seek"

Everyone has really enjoyed playing that game from time to time

Well except maybe lawyers – their afraid that if they hide no one will come looking for them

Listen, when it comes to playing this game with God, it is no fun

Wouldn't it be tragic if someone really wanted to find God and He was playing this game with them?

I can assure you, based on the Word of God, He does not play this game

GOD WANTS YOU TO FIND HIM – He already knows where you are and He wants you to discover Him

Let me ask you this question, "If you found Him, would you recognize Him?"

Ps 139 is a wonderful Psalm for those who are looking for God in their life

When you find the God of the Bible what kind of God will you find?

Lets look at some of the attributes of God that we find in this Psalm

1. The Omniscience of God (vs. 1-6)

God is too much for us mortals to comprehend

HE doesn't think like us

He doesn't do things like us

Many time this frustrates us

Kind of like the guy who was looking at the clouds one day and decided to talk to God.

He said God how long is a million years

God said in my time frame its about a minute

The man asked God how much is a million dollars

God said to me its about a penny

The man asked God can I borrow a penny

God said in a minute

The psalmist begins this psalm with the realization that God knows all about him

What is amazing about this is that God knows everything about us and still loves us

God is Omniscient there is nothing that He doesn't know

That is scary because for all we do know we realize we don't know everything

We think we know people and then.....

We can fool people but we can fool God (Jer 17:9)

Jeremiah says know one can know the heart of man because of its wickedness

But I know someone who can and that is the Almighty God – He knows everything

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What is Omniscience?

Omni = all

Science = knowing

Omniscience = all-knowing

Theologically the doctrine of God's omniscience minas that God knows all things past, present and future and He knows them all at the same time

And if that isn't enough

He not only knows what was

He knows what is

He knows what will be

More than that, He knows everything that could be but is not

What does His Omniscience mean to us?

Lk 12:7 – He numbers the hairs on your head

Ps 139:4 – He knows your words before you speak them

Ps 139:2 – He knows your thoughts before you think them

Matt 6:8 – He knows your prayers before you pray them

Ps 139:2-3 – He knows when you get up in the morning and when you go to bed at night

Ps 139:16 – He knows everything you are going to do tomorrow, next week, next month, next year

Matt 12:36 – He records every word you say and will someday replay them all for you

Matt 6:4 – He sees everything you do in secret, both good and bad

Lk 12:3 – He hears every whispered word and will one day shout them from the housetops

No wonder David said that God knew all about Him

What kind of knowledge does God have?

1. **God's Knowledge is independent, ours is dependent**

No one has ever taught God anything because His knowledge is complete from the beginning

Our knowledge is dependent in that we must learn what we know from others

2. **God's knowledge is infinite, ours is partial**

He knows everything that could be known, we only know a fragment of what can be known

Have you ever thought that nothing ever occurs to God

He never wakes up and says "A great idea has just occurred to me"

He knows all the great ideas all the time

He knows what will work and what will not work

3. **God knows us better than we know ourselves**

Specifically, He knows what is in the human heart (Ps 139:23) – "*Search me, O God, and know my heart*"

Think about this – God's omniscience is a comfort to believers and a terror to unbelievers

Why? Two reasons

The comfort of His knowledge

If He truly knows all things, and He ordains all things, then everything that happens to me or to those I love must happen as part of His plan

The justice of His knowledge

If God did not know everything how could He reward those who have been faithful