



You Are There

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OT Reference: Gen. 1:1 -3; Ps. 23:4; Ecc. 5:2; **NT Reference:** Mt. 12:36 – 37; Jn. 3:19 – 21; 1 Thess. 5:5 – 10; James 3; 1 John 1:5

O LORD, you have searched me and known me!
² *You know when I sit down and when I rise up;
you discern my thoughts from afar.*
³ *You search out my path and my lying down
and are acquainted with all my ways.*
⁴ *Even before a word is on my tongue,
behold, O LORD, you know it altogether.*
⁵ *You hem me in, behind and before,
and lay your hand upon me.*
⁶ *Such knowledge is too wonderful for me;
it is high; I cannot attain it.*
⁷ *Where shall I go from your Spirit?
Or where shall I flee from your presence?*
⁸ *If I ascend to heaven, you are there!
If I make my bed in Sheol, you are there!*
⁹ *If I take the wings of the morning
and dwell in the uttermost parts of the sea,*
¹⁰ *even there your hand shall lead me,
and your right hand shall hold me.*
¹¹ *If I say, "Surely the darkness shall cover me,
and the light about me be night,"*
¹² *even the darkness is not dark to you;
the night is bright as the day,
for darkness is as light with you.*

"The Psalmist here proclaims that incomprehensibleness of the divine wisdom and goodness, whereby, in a wonderful manner, he himself and all men, with all their affairs, all their works and all their thoughts, both the

greatest and the least, were predestinated of God from everlasting. This manifold wisdom of God is incomprehensible to flesh and blood." – Martin Luther.

"Psalm 139 is not a psalm about me, fearfully and wonderfully made. It is a psalm about my Maker, fearful and wonderful. It is a psalm to inspire awe."
– **Jen Wilkin, None Like Him: 10 Ways God is Different from Us**

In this text: We are reminded of God's all-encompassing knowledge of us, and his ever present nearness to us.

For us today: We must understand the character of God that we may know the comfort of God and be further conformed to the Image of His Son.

- He _____ our inward lives.
 - He knows our thoughts.
 - He knows our _____.
 - He knows our tongues.

- He's _____ in our lives.

"Our presence is ever in His presence." – Charles Spurgeon

- There is nowhere we can go that He is _____.

"Light flies with inconceivable rapidity, and it flashes far afield beyond all human kind; it illuminates the great and wide sea, and sets its waves gleaming afar; but it's speed would utterly fail if employed in flying from the Lord." – CHS

- We cannot _____ from the presence of God.

- He's at _____ in our lives.
 - We are hemmed in.

"All we are, and all we do, are not our own wisdom or doing." – Martin Luther

- His hand is _____ us.
- His hand is leading us.
- His hand is _____ us.

⁶ *For God, who said, "Let light shine out of darkness," has shone in our hearts to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ. (2Co 4:6 ESV)*

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