

Psalm 139

A Psalm of David

King James Version (KJV)

139 O lord, thou hast searched me, and known me.

²Thou knowest my down sitting and mine uprising, thou understandest my thought afar off. (thought- inward thoughts) (down sitting and mine uprising - my ups and downs)

³Thou compassest my path and my lying down, and art acquainted with all my ways.

⁴For there is not a word in my tongue, but, lo, O LORD, thou knowest it altogether.

⁵Thou hast beset me behind and before, and laid thine hand upon me.

⁶Such knowledge is too wonderful for me; it is high, I cannot attain unto it. (God knows all things)

⁷Whither shall I go from thy spirit? or whither shall I flee from thy presence? (God is everywhere)

⁸If I ascend up into heaven, thou art there: if I make my bed in hell, behold, thou art there. (hell= the grave)

⁹If I take the wings of the morning, and dwell in the uttermost parts of the sea; (A Hebrew figure of speech – from the farthest point to the east to the farthest point to the west)

¹⁰Even there shall thy hand lead me, and thy right hand shall hold me. **Ezekiel-18:4**

¹¹If I say, Surely the darkness shall cover me; even the night shall be light about me. **Revelation-21:23**

¹²Yea, the darkness hideth not from thee; but the night shineth as the day: the darkness and the light are both alike to thee. (Light defeats darkness, just as truth defeats confusion and ignorance)

¹³For thou hast possessed my reins: thou hast covered me in my mother's womb. (covered- as fibers woven together into cloth)

¹⁴I will praise thee; for I am fearfully and wonderfully made: marvellous are thy works; and that my soul knoweth right well.

¹⁵ My substance was not hid from thee, when I was made in secret, and curiously wrought in the lowest parts of the earth. (curiously- skillfully – better translation) (Our flesh is made from the earth – as Adam was wrought of clay)

¹⁶ Thine eyes did see my substance, yet being unperfect; and in thy book all my members were written, which in continuance were fashioned, when as yet there was none of them. (unperfect = unfinished or not matured) (encoded in our DNA is what we will become physically, even before we become that, on the first day of conception)

¹⁷ How precious also are thy thoughts unto me, O God! how great is the sum of them!

¹⁸ If I should count them, they are more in number than the sand: when I awake, I am still with thee. (them- God's thoughts)

¹⁹ Surely thou wilt slay the wicked, O God: depart from me therefore, ye bloody men.

²⁰ For they speak against thee wickedly, and thine enemies take thy name in vain.

²¹ Do not I hate them, O LORD, that hate thee? and am not I grieved with those that rise up against thee? (grieved= loathsome)

²² I hate them with perfect hatred: I count them mine enemies. (perfect= mature or complete) (Remember that the real enemy is Satan and the fallen – who love to turn people against each other. Those who choose to follow them will share their fate)

²³ Search me, O God, and know my heart: try me, and know my thoughts:

²⁴ And see if there be any wicked way in me, and lead me in the way everlasting. (If there is any evil in me, turn me to the righteous way)

To the Chief Musician.