

Midweek Study Lesson Questions 12/17/2025

Sunday December 14, 2025

GOD WITH US. Psalm 139:7 - 12

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I. Getting to Know “Yourself”

How does knowing that God knows everything influence the way you should live, according to the sermon?

Explain the following verses from Sunday’s sermon.

Psalm 139: 7 *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, 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;

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*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.*

Observation Question-

How does David describe God's ability to see in both darkness and light?

Interpretation Question-

Why might the idea of God's inescapable presence be comforting to some people but unsettling to others?

Application Question –

The difference between God's omnipresence and pantheism is that God is not the same as His creation but chooses to be with us. How does this truth shape the way you worship or pray?

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Jeremiah 23:24 Can anyone hide himself in secret places, So I shall not see him?" says the LORD; "Do I not fill heaven and earth?" says the LORD.

Daniel 2:22 He revealeth the deep and secret things: he knoweth what is in the darkness, and the light dwelleth with him.

Job 34:22 There is no darkness, nor shadow of death, where the workers of iniquity may hide themselves.

Psalm 139:23 Search me, O God, and know my heart; Try me, and know my anxieties;

2Peter 3:11 Therefore, since all these things will be dissolved, what manner *of persons* ought you to be in holy conduct and godliness,

Summary

In this sermon, we explored Psalm 139:7-12, focusing on the profound truth that God is always with us. David's words remind us that there is nowhere we can go to escape God's presence—whether in the heights of heaven, the depths of the grave, or the farthest reaches of the sea, God is there. We considered the difference between God's omnipresence and pantheism, affirming that God is distinct from His creation yet intimately involved in every part of it. The sermon also highlighted how God's omniscience is not just a theological concept but a deeply personal reality: God knows us completely, even our thoughts and motives. Ultimately, we are called to respond to God's inescapable presence and perfect knowledge with humility, surrender, and worship, allowing Him to search our hearts and lead us in His ways.

Key Takeaways

- God's Presence Is Inescapable, Yet Personal

No matter where we go—whether to the highest heights or the deepest depths—God is already there. This truth can be unsettling for those running from Him, but for those who love Him, it is a source of deep comfort. God's presence is not just a cosmic reality; it is a personal promise that He will never leave or forsake us.

- God's Omnipresence Is Not Pantheism

While God fills heaven and earth, He is not the same as His creation. He is a Spirit, distinct and holy, who chooses to be present with us. This distinction invites us to worship Him as the Creator, not the creation, and to seek relationship with the One who holds all things together.

- Light and Darkness Are Alike to God

We often think of darkness as a place to hide, but to God, darkness and light are the same. There is no shadow or secret that can conceal us from His gaze. This means we can bring our fears, failures, and hidden struggles into His light, knowing He already sees and understands.

- God's Knowledge Is Immediate and Intimate

God's omniscience is not distant or abstract; it is immediate and personal. He knows our thoughts before we think them, our words before we speak them, and our motives before we act. This invites us to honesty and vulnerability before God, trusting that He knows us fully and loves us still.

- The Right Response Is Surrender and Worship

When faced with the immensity of God's presence and knowledge, our best response is not to try to figure it all out, but to bow in humility and worship. Like David, we can invite God to search our hearts, lead us, and transform us. God's greatness is beyond our understanding, but His love is always within our reach.