

*“For the ways of man are before the eyes of the Lord, and he pondereth all his goings.”
(Proverbs 5:21)*

“I the Lord search the heart, I try the reins, even to give every man according to his ways, and according to the fruit of his doings.” (Jeremiah 17:10)

*“But the Lord said unto Samuel, Look not on his countenance, or on the height of his stature; because I have refused him: for the Lord seeth not as man seeth; for man looketh on the outward appearance, but the Lord looketh on the heart.”
(1 Samuel 16:7)*

C. He Knows How to _____

“Examine me, O LORD, and prove me; try my reins and my heart” (Psalm 26:2)

“For the commandment is a lamp; and the law is light; and reproofs of instruction are the way of life.” (Proverbs 6:23)

D. He Knows the _____ for Us

ALLOW GOD TO REVEAL SIN

“For the word of God is quick, and powerful, and sharper than any twoedged sword, piercing even to the dividing asunder of soul and spirit, and of the joints and marrow, and is a discernor of the thoughts and intents of the heart.” (Hebrews 4:12)

“Wherewithal shall a young man cleanse his way? by taking heed thereto according to thy word.” (Psalm 119:9)

ACCEPT GOD’S EVALUATION AND ACKNOWLEDGE YOUR SIN

“But if we walk in the light, as he is in the light, we have fellowship one with another, and the blood of Jesus Christ his Son cleanseth us from all sin. 8 If we say that we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. 9 If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins, and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness. 10 If we say that we have not sinned, we make him a liar, and his word is not in us.” (1 John 1:7-10)

CONCLUSION

TAKEAWAYS:

1. Since God knows all things, it is foolish to try to hide things from Him.
2. God is understanding and knows what we are experiencing, and He cares. (1 Pet. 5:7)
3. Let God search your heart daily, cease from hiding your sins, but confess them to God.
4. Ask God to search your heart regarding your relationship with Him through salvation.



KNOWING GOD

WEEK FIVE: UNDERSTANDING GOD'S OMNISCIENCE

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Text: Psalm 139:23–24

“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.” (Psalm 139:23–24)

INTRODUCTION

“The heart is deceitful above all things, and desperately wicked: who can know it?” (Jeremiah 17:9)

1. GOD KNOWS US _____ (v. 1–4)

Quote: “thou hast investigated me; thou hast thoroughly acquainted thyself with my whole soul and conduct.” — **Adam Clarke**

Quote: “The true God, Jehovah, understands us, and is most intimately acquainted with our persons, nature, and character. How well it is for us to know the God who knows us!” — **C. H. Spurgeon**

A. He Knows Our _____

HE KNOWS OUR MOVEMENTS

HE KNOWS OUR MINDS

B. He Knows Our _____

GOD STUDIES OUR PATHWAYS

Quote: “The Lord judges our active life and our quiet life; he discriminates our action and our repose, and marks that in them which is good and also that which is evil. There is chaff in all our wheat, and the Lord divides them with unerring precision.” — **C.H. Spurgeon.**

GOD KNOWS THE PATH WE WILL TAKE

“Doth not he see my ways, and count all my steps? 5 If I have walked with vanity, or if my foot hath hasted to deceit; 6 Let me be weighed in an even balance, that God may know mine integrity.” (Job 31:4–6)

“Wherefore we labour, that, whether present or absent, we may be accepted of him. 10 For we must all appear before the judgment seat of Christ; that every one may receive the things done in his body, according to that he hath done, whether it be good or bad.” (2 Corinthians 5:9–10)

“For God shall bring every work into judgment, with every secret thing, whether it be good, or whether it be evil.” (Ecclesiastes 12:14)

“Can any hide himself in secret places that I shall not see him? saith the Lord. Do not I fill heaven and earth? saith the Lord.” (Jeremiah 23:24)

HE KNOWS OUR PRONOUNCEMENTS

“The preparations of the heart in man, and the answer of the tongue, is from the Lord. 2 All the ways of a man are clean in his own eyes; but the Lord weigheth the spirits. 3 Commit thy works unto the Lord, and thy thoughts shall be established.” (Proverbs 16:1–3)

“Sufficient unto the day is the evil thereof.” (Matthew 6:34)

2. GOD KNOWS US _____ (v. 13–17)

A. He _____ Us Before Birth

GOD SET THE FOUNDATION OF OUR CONCEPTION

Quote: “The word here rendered “possessed” means properly to “set upright,” ... Then the word means to found, to create, Here the word seems to be used in its original sense, to make, create, etc. So God is the possessor of our being. He is the one who created us.”

Quote: “The meaning here is, that God had made him;”

“Before I formed thee in the belly I knew thee; and before thou camest forth out of the womb I sanctified thee, and I ordained thee a prophet unto the nations.” (Jeremiah 1:5)

THE LORD FORMED US AND PROTECTED US IN THE WOMB

B. He _____ Us as His Work

WE ARE WONDERFULLY CREATED

“Thine hands have made me and fashioned me together round about.” (Job 10:8)

WE ARE MARVELOUSLY CREATED

C. He _____ as a Person

GOD SEES US IN THE WOMB

GOD'S THOUGHTS ARE PRECIOUS

“Many, O Lord my God, are thy wonderful works which thou hast done, and thy thoughts which are to us-ward: they cannot be reckoned up in order unto thee: if I would declare and speak of them, they are more than can be numbered.” (Psalm 40:5)

“For I know the thoughts that I think toward you, saith the Lord, thoughts of peace, and not of evil, to give you an expected end.” (Jeremiah 29:11)

3. GOD KNOWS US _____ (v. 23–24)

A. He Knows What to _____

“Examine me, O Lord, and prove me; try my reins and my heart.” (Psalm 26:2)

The fining pot is for silver, and the furnace for gold: but the Lord trieth the hearts. Christ:” (Proverbs 17:3)

B. He Knows Where to _____