## **GOD: A Short Autobiography**

## "GOD Knows Everything... About Everything! Psalm 139:1-6

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NKJV - "O Lord, You have searched me and known me. You know my sitting down and my rising up; You understand my thought afar off. You comprehend my path and my lying down, and are acquainted with all my ways. For there is not a word on my tongue, but behold, O Lord, You know it altogether. You have hedged me behind and before, and laid Your hand upon me. Such knowledge is too wonderful for me; It is high, I cannot attain it."

NVI - "Señor, tú me examinas, tú me conoces. Sabes cuándo me siento y cuándo me levanto; aun a la distancia me lees el pensamiento. Mis trajines y descansos los conoces; todos mis caminos te son familiares. No me llega aún la palabra a la lengua cuando tú, Señor, ya la sabes toda. Tu protección me envuelve por completo; me cubres con la palma de tu mano. Conocimiento tan maravilloso rebasa mi comprensión; tan sublime es que no puedo entenderlo."

## Mankind is accumulating knowledge exponentially:

- From ancient history to the year 1845 ---> 1 inch
- From 1845 to 1945 ---> 3 inches.
- From 1945 to 1975 ---> The height of the Wash. Monument --->555 feet tall!
- From 1975 to the present ---> Approx. 10 times that!!
- We know more information in 2017, than at any other time in human history.
- Half of what is known today, was not known/understood just 10 years ago.
- Human knowledge doubles every 1.5 years.
- In the US alone, over 750,000 new books are published every year.
- In all of human history, the total number books ever published: 130 million.
- I. GOD's Knowledge is <u>UNIVERSAL</u>. (v.1)
  II. GOD's Knowledge is <u>PERSONAL</u>. (v.2-4)
  III. GOD's Knowledge is <u>WORSHIPFUL</u>. (v.5-6)
- I. GOD's Knowledge is <u>UNIVERSAL</u>. (v.1) "O Lord, You have searched me and known me."
  - This attribute of GOD, in which His knowledge is unlimited, is called "OMNISCIENCE". This comes from a combination of 2 Latin words "omni" (meaning 'all') and "scientia" (meaning 'knowledge'). Our study of OMNISCIENCE today, begins a set of 3 attributes that we will discover in Psalm 139, written by King David.
  - <u>Definition of "OMNISCIENCE":</u> GOD has <u>absolute and perfect</u> knowledge of all things, whether <u>actual or possible</u>, <u>everywhere</u> in the universe, about <u>everything</u> there is, <u>at all times</u>. The omniscience of GOD means that there is absolutely <u>nothing GOD doesn't know</u>; there is no system of information, no set of data, no random facts that exists outside

GOD's infinite and perfect knowledge. He absolutely knows everything about everything, always!

- o <u>Isa 40:12-15 NLT "Who else has held the oceans in his hand? Who has measured off the heavens with his fingers? Who else knows the weight of the earth or has weighed the mountains and hills on a scale? Who is able to advise the Spirit of the Lord? Who knows enough to give Him advice or teach Him? Has the Lord ever needed anyone's advice? Does he need instruction about what is good? Did someone teach Him what is right or show him the path of justice? No, for all the nations of the world are but a drop in the bucket. They are nothing more than dust on the scales. He picks up the whole earth as though it were a grain of sand."</u>
- o Psalm 147:4-5 "He counts the stars and calls them all by name. How great is our Lord! His power is absolute! His understanding is beyond comprehension!"
  - 0 A very wealthy grandfather was getting very old, and as a result was becoming progressively deaf. One day, as he went to the doctor, he was being fitted with a new high-tech hearing aid to help him with his condition. After a few weeks of using this new device, the man realized that it not only helped him overcome his deafness, but gave him such good hearing, that he could even hear people talking in the rooms next to him. Later, as he returned to the doctor for his monthly checkup, the doctor commented, "Well, your family must be extremely happy to know that you can hear once again." The grandfather answered, "Are you kidding, doc? I haven't told them yet. I just sit around and listen to their conversations about me." "I see..." said the doctor, "have you heard anything interesting?" The man responded, "Well...in just two weeks, I've changed my will 3 times!"
- GOD'S OMNISCIENCE TEACHES US MANY THINGS ABOUT HIM...
  - o GOD never learns anything!
  - o GOD is never surprised by you!
  - o GOD is never disappointed by you!
  - GOD is <u>never caught off-guard</u> by anything!
  - GOD is never outsmarted by satan or us..ever!

 "Bring me <u>a worm that can fully comprehend a man</u>, and then I will show you a man that can <u>fully comprehend the Living GOD!</u>" - John Wesley

- GOD's infinite knowledge, means He knows All Factual Information; Every single piece of trivia; All human Statistics...
  - GOD knows that no piece of paper can be folded more than 7 times.
  - GOD knows that donkeys kill more people every year than plane crashes.
  - GOD knows that the liquid inside young coconuts can be used as a substitute for blood plasma.
  - o GOD knows that we burn more calories sleeping, than by watching TV.
  - o GOD knows that most dust particles in your home are made from dead skin.
  - o Matt 10:30 NLT "...the very hairs on your head are all numbered."
    - "Scientists tell us that every cubic inch of gas, at normal temperature and pressure, contains 443 billion molecules. Just like a doorkeeper of a hotel that counts the visitors that enter, this number is based on an actual count, one by one, scientists made of certain molecules.
    - Try to have an understanding of the magnitude of this huge number. Imagine a country 30 times the size of PR, with 100 million people. If each and every person were to give you \$4.4 quadrillion (12 zeros), you would have as many dollars as there are molecules in just 1 cubic inch of gas.
    - But there is more: Each one of those 443 billion molecules has a mass that is 18,000 times greater than that of 1 single electron; and the diameter of just one of these molecules is 50,000 times longer than 1 electron. Our omniscient GOD knows every minute detail, of every single molecule He every created."
    - When Henry Norris Russell, Princeton astronomer, had finished a university lecture on the Milky Way, a woman came to him and asked: "If our world is so little, and the universe is so great, can we believe that God pays any attention to us?" Dr. Russell replied, "That depends, madam, on how big of a GOD you believe in."
- GOD's Omniscience means that He knows everything about the PAST, everything about the PRESENT, but He also knows everything about the FUTURE:
- This is what we call "Bible Prophecy"
  - o <u>Isa 46:9-10</u> NLT "For I alone am God! I am God, and there is none like me. Only I can tell you the future before it even happens. Everything I plan will come to pass.."
    - Over 1,800 predictive Prophecies in the entire Bible
    - About 23.7% of the Bible is Prophecy
    - Over 300 prophecies about the Messiah

- GOD's Omniscience thru Prophecy told us that ALEXANDER THE GREAT would conquer the world, be the 3rd major world empire ruling Israel, he would die in his prime, have no children to succeed him, and that his kingdom would be divided between 4 people. (400 years before he was born!!)
  - GOD's Omniscience thru Prophecy told us that there would be 4
     MAJOR WORLD EMPIRES, and they would dominate Israel. He declared that first would come Babylon, then Persia, later Greece, and finally Rome.
    - o GOD's Omniscience thru Prophecy told us that MESSIAH would one day come to earth, that He would be truly GOD and truly Man, that He'd be born in Bethlehem, have a ministry filled with powerful teaching and amazing miracles, that he'd be betrayed by one of His own followers, for 30 pieces of silver exactly, be unjustly arrested, beaten, and murdered by crucifixion; but that He'd also conquer death and sin by rising from the grave 3 days later, ascending into Heaven, awaiting His ultimate return in glory.
- II. GOD's Knowledge is PERSONAL. (v.2-4) "You know my sitting down and my rising up; You understand my thought afar off. You comprehend my path and my lying down, and are acquainted with all my ways. For there is not a word on my tongue, but behold, O Lord, You know it altogether."
  - Personal Pronouns from David.... Personal Application!!! (O, I, A)
  - GOD's infinite knowledge, means He knows all the things that enter our MINDS; He knows where they came from, and how we deal with them.
     GOD reads our minds, and understands
     every THOUGHT and INTENTION of our hearts:
    - 1 Sam 16:7 NLT "..The Lord doesn't see things the way you see them. People judge by outward appearance, but the Lord looks at the heart."
    - Eze 11:5 NLT "This is what the Lord says to the people of Israel: I know what you are saying, for I know every thought that comes into your minds."

- GOD's infinite knowledge, means He knows all your personal Abilities; all your Weaknesses and secret Sins; all your private Dreams; your personal Fears; your painful Trials....
  - Heb 4:13,15 NLT "This <u>High Priest of ours understands our</u> <u>weaknesses</u>, for He faced all of the same testings we do, yet He did not sin."
  - Job 23:10 "But <u>He knows the way that I take</u>; When He has tested me, I shall come forth as gold."
  - o Psalm 56:8 NLT "You keep track of all my sorrows. You have collected all my tears in your bottle. You have recorded each one in your book."
  - Psalm 90:8 "You spread out our sins before you our secret sins and you see them all.
    - "A ex-prisoner tells the story that he was once shut up in a little room in a gloomy prison for a great while. In the door of his little cell was a very small hole cut. At that hole, a soldier was placed day and night to watch him. All he could see was the soldier's eye; but that eye was always there. Day and night, every moment when he looked up he always saw that eye. Oh, he said, it was dreadful! There was no escape, no hiding; when he lay down and when he rose up, that eye was watching him." (Movie: "The Circle")
- GOD's infinite knowledge, means He knows His <u>CALLING/MISSION</u> for your life:
  - Jer 1:5 NLT "I knew you before I formed you in your mother's womb. Before you were born I set you apart and appointed you as my prophet to the nations."
  - Gal 1:15-16 NLT "But even before I was born, God chose me and called me by his marvelous grace. ...so that I would proclaim the Good News about Jesus to the Gentiles."
  - Judges 6:11-12 NLT "Gideon son of Joash was threshing wheat at the bottom
    of a winepress to hide the grain from the Midianites. The <u>Angel of the Lord</u>
    appeared to him and said, "Mighty hero, the Lord is with you!"
- GOD's infinite knowledge, means He knows what WILL HAPPEN & and what COULD HAVE happened for your life:
  - Matt 11:20-24 NLT "Then Jesus began to denounce the towns where he had done so many of his miracles, because they hadn't repented of their sins and turned to God. "What sorrow awaits you, Korazin and Bethsaida! For if the miracles I did in you had been done in wicked Tyre and Sidon, their people would have repented of their sins long ago ...And you people of Capernaum...if

the miracles I did for you had been done in wicked Sodom, it would still be here today. I tell you, even Sodom will be better off on judgment day than you."

- That's not what happened, but it's what would've happened. This shows us how COMPREHENSIVE and ABSOLUTE the knowledge of GOD is...He know everything that has happened, everything that will happen, and everything that COULD have happened.
  - Adolf Hitler...atom bomb??
  - JFK...assassination??
  - 9/11...stopped??
- We can never know these things, but GOD knows them all! He also knows what your life COULD'VE been like. GOD knows what would've happened if you had been born at another time in history...or in a different country and culture.....to different parents and a different family! GOD knows what would happened if you would've married a different person....GOD knows what COULD have been, and what WOULD have been...and therefore you can REST in Him, and be AT PEACE.
  - GOD could've made you life totally different....but He didn't!! Therefore, you can trust that He has always had your best interest at heart, and has always worked for <u>HIS BEST WILL</u> for your life!!

III. GOD's Knowledge is WORSHIPFUL. (v.5-6) - "You have hedged me behind and before, and laid Your hand upon me. Such knowledge is too wonderful for me; It is high, I cannot attain it."

- David is STUNNED: "Am I Fated?? Is my Destiny Fixed??"
  - o Prayer?? (James 4:8)
  - Adam & Eve?? (1 Jn 4:8; Rom 8:28)
  - o Satan?? (Gen 50:20)
- David then SURRENDERS! "I yield all of me to the GOD who knows all!!"
  - Rev 4:10-11 NLT "...the twenty-four elders fall down and worship the one sitting on the throne (the one who lives forever and ever). And they lay their crowns before the throne and say, "You are worthy, O Lord our God, to receive glory and honor and power. For you created all things, and they exist because you created what you pleased."