

Psalmings

in the summer

READING PLAN:
Text PSALMS to 97000



WEDNESDAY PRAYER

Join us in the Student Center at 9:00am

Please send prayer needs through the GPC App.

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When my request, timing, and character are RIGHT,

God says GO!

Prayer is less a means of getting our will into heaven.
Prayer is utilized best getting God's will into us.

Psalm 139:12

Even the darkness is not dark to you; the night is bright as the day...

Psalm 139:13-16

For you formed my inward parts;

you knitted me together in my mother's womb.

¹⁴ I praise you, for I am fearfully and wonderfully made.

Wonderful are your works;

my soul knows it very well.

Psalm 139:13-16

¹⁵ My frame was not hidden from you,
when I was being made in secret,
intricately woven in the depths of the earth.
¹⁶ Your eyes saw my unformed substance;
in your book were written, every one of them,
the days that were formed for me,
when as yet there was none of them.

Psalm 139:1-3

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.*

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 grievous way in me,
and **lead me** in the way everlasting!

Two prayers every person should pray

1) Search me.

Athenian Agora



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“An unexamined life is not worth living.”
– Socrates (469–399 BC)

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Unknown Self

Information about yourself that
neither you nor others know

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O Lord of hosts, who judges righteously, who **tests the heart** and the mind... – Jeremiah 11:20

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INTO
THE SILENT LAND



*A Guide to the
Christian Practice of Contemplation*

MARTIN LAIRD

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“The mind’s obsessive running in tight circles generates and sustains the anguish that forms the mental cage in which we live much of our lives—or what we take to be our lives... We believe this lie, and our life becomes a cocktail party of posturing masquerade in order to hide the anxiety and ignorance of who we truly are.”

– Martin Laird

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...You shall love the Lord your God with...all your **mind**. – Matthew 22:37



“Only when I sensed the power of my thoughts and was able to renounce them could I hear the ever so small voice of God deep inside.”

– Benedictine Sister Mary Margaret Funk

Inventory of HANDS

...see if there be any grievous way in me... – Psalm 139:24a

Life Principle

A behavior is never the problem;
it is only the symptom to a problem.



“**Wrong Ideas** about God will ultimately lead to **wrong ideas** about who we are and what we should do, and this leads to a **wrong life** on the **wrong path** toward the **wrong destiny**.”

– Warren Weirsbe

Two prayers every person should pray

- 1) Search me.
- 2) Lead me.

Lamentations 3:40

Let us test and examine our ways, and return to the Lord.

Psalm 143:10

Teach me to do your will, for you are my God!
Let your good Spirit lead me on level ground!

Psalm 124:7

My heart like a bird has escaped from the **snare of the fowler**; the snare is broken and we have escaped.

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