



Group Study Guide

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What Kind of God? - "God is Omni"

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MESSAGE NOTES:

Psalm 139:1-12

You have searched me, LORD,
and you know me.
You know when I sit and when I rise;
you perceive my thoughts from afar.
You discern my going out and my lying down;
you are familiar with all my ways.
Before a word is on my tongue
you, LORD, know it completely.
You hem me in behind and before,
and you lay your hand upon me.
Such knowledge is too wonderful for me,
too lofty for me to attain.

Where can I go from your Spirit?
Where can I flee from your presence?
If I go up to the heavens, you are there;
if I make my bed in the depths, you are there.
If I rise on the wings of the dawn,
if I settle on the far side of the sea,
even there your hand will guide me,
your right hand will hold me fast.
If I say, "Surely the darkness will hide me
and the light become night around me,"
even the darkness will not be dark to you;
the night will shine like the day,
for darkness is as light to you.

STUDY GUIDE:

STEP ONE: Icebreaker (Optional):

- If your life was turned into a Netflix original series, what genre would it be and what actor or actress would play you in the series?

STEP TWO: Prayer & Scripture reading

- Ask someone in your group to pray to open your time together.
- Ask another person to read **Psalm 139:1-12**.

STEP THREE: Discuss Questions

1. What was challenging, encouraging, confusing, or stood out most to you from this past weekend's teaching?
2. Look at verses 1-6 again. How does David describe the extent of God's knowledge about his people in these verses? How do these verses showcase God's power and presence in the universe?
3. How do you feel after reading this passage and knowing that there is nowhere that we can go that is outside of God's presence? Can you share about a time in your life (maybe it's right now) when you were trying to run or hide from God's presence?
4. Looking at verses 11-12, there is a reference to how God relates to light and darkness. How does this metaphor help you understand God's ultimate power in a new way?
5. How can having a deep understanding of God as "omni" (omnipresent, omnipotent, omniscient) influence the way you pray and trust God?
6. What practical ways can you think of that you could remind yourself of these attributes of God daily?

STEP FOUR: Prayer

- Ask someone in your group to close in Prayer