



## **In Awe of the Majesty of God**

### **Psalm 139:1-18**

**We can live in ignorance of the majesty of God.**

#### **Text Message:**

- o In this Psalm (Song), the psalmist (songwriter) refers to the big three "Omni-" (Latin word for "all") words to describe God:
  - 1) That God is omniscient (All-Knowing).
  - 2) That God is omnipresent (All-Present).
  - 3) That God is omnipotent (All-Powerful).
- o What flows forth in this Psalm is not from the cold pen of a scholar but the burning heart of a lover!
- o All these Omni words describe the majesty of God, and yet we can live in ignorance of God's majesty!
- o To live in ignorance of God's majesty is to grapple in

the dark with some of life's most important questions:

1) *Is there someone who will love me despite my scars, flaws, and dark places?* (Verses 1, 3)

2) *Does my past change the way God sees me?* (Verse 17)

3) *Is God really involved in my life? Don't tragedies show that if God created the world, He wound it up like a clock and let it tick on its own, without any personal involvement?* (Verses 9-10)

4) *Does God see **my** pain and struggles?* (Verses 11-12)

o If this Psalm isn't great enough, God did something more when He showed us exactly what He is like in Christ!

**We can live indifferent to the majesty of God.**

**Text Message:**

o "The opposite of love is not hate; it's indifference. The opposite of beauty is not ugliness; it's indifference. The opposite of faith is not heresy; it's indifference. And the opposite of life is not death, but indifference between life and death." Elie Wiesel, Holocaust survivor and Nobel laureate

- o "Such a realization—*I am indifferent*—is undoubtedly a difficult self-diagnosis. There is difficulty both in coming to and acting upon it, for attending to a not-so-pleasant realization requires attention, honesty, and care rather than indifference. This self-diagnosis is necessary, however, to catch myself from drifting through life in a state of detachment. So often, it takes an unexpected something—music, art, a meaningful conversation—to be the catalyst." Stephanie Reuter
- o "So be diligent and turn from your indifference. Look! I stand at the door and knock. If you hear my voice and open the door, I will come in, and we will share a meal together as friends. Jesus to the Church at Laodicea, Revelation 3:19-20

**We can live ignited by the majesty of God.**

**Text Message:**

- o What we need to move from being indifferent to being ignited by the majesty of God is to do what the psalmist does here- reflect on the works and wonders of God!
- o *What fascinates and awes you concerning God? What wows you to be ignited by the majesty of God? It could*

*be the majesty of God:*

1) Seen in creation.

2) Sensed in silence.

3) Celebrated in the incarnation of His Son, Jesus.

4) Spoken in prayerful reflection of God's Word.

5) Sung in praise-filled adoration.

*o Which Omni word captivates you currently? Read the part of Psalm 139 and personalize it.*

*o Which of the above four ways of being ignited by God's majesty may the Spirit be nudging you? How will you make space for this soon?*