

He Promised - Series

Beyond the fact of God's omnipresence ("everywhereness"), we have His promise of His presence.

-In order to grasp this truth, you will have to put your feelings aside.

Psalm 139:1-14 NIV

1 You have searched me, LORD, and you know me.

2 You know when I sit and when I rise; you perceive my thoughts from afar.

3 You discern my going out and my lying down; you are familiar with all my ways.

4 Before a word is on my tongue you, LORD, know it completely.

5 You hem me in behind and before, and you lay your hand upon me.

6 Such knowledge is too wonderful for me, too lofty for me to attain.

7 Where can I go from your Spirit? Where can I flee from your presence?

8 If I go up to the heavens, you are there; if I make my bed in the depths, you are there.

9 If I rise on the wings of the dawn, if I settle on the far side of the sea,

10 even there your hand will guide me, your right hand will hold me fast.

11 If I say, "Surely the darkness will hide me and the light become night around me,"

12 even the darkness will not be dark to you; the night will shine like the day, for darkness is as light to you.

13 For you created my inmost being; you knit me together in my mother's womb.

14 I praise you because I am fearfully and wonderfully made; your works are wonderful, I know that full well.

1. By definition, when God is present I am not alone.

-Not even when I sin

Psalm 90:8

You have set our iniquities before you, our secret sins in the light of your presence.

-Example: Jonah - You can get out of God's will, but you can't escape His presence.

2. When God is present I am not in danger, so no need for fear.

Psalm 23:5a

You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies.

Deuteronomy 31:6, 8

6 Be strong and courageous. Do not be afraid or terrified because of them, for the LORD your God goes with you; he will never leave you nor forsake you."

8 The LORD himself goes before you and will be with you; he will never leave you nor forsake you. Do not be afraid; do not be discouraged."

3. When God is present, I am not in power/charge (His will, not mine).

4. When God is present, there is nothing that I should do that He can't help me accomplish.

Philippians 4:13 ESV - I can do all things through Him who strengthens me.

Bottom Line – God makes and keeps the promises to those who follow Him.