

(Topics, Lead-in, and Lead-in Devotional Reading below)

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Psalm 139

♩ = 88 Unison

C G G/D F C/E C/G F/A FM7/A F/A FM7 G sus G

1. Ev - 'ry mo - ment, in - ti - mate know - ing -
 2. Com - ing, go - ing, Lord, in Your pres - ence,
 3. In Your wis - dom, in Your self - giv - ing,
 4. Search me, know me, teach me, my Sav - ior;

A m Em/G F FM7 C/E Dm9 Dm7 FM7 G sus G

God, You are liv - ing and breath - ing with - in,
 Run - ning and hid - ing can't hide me from You.
 In Your great love all I am was be - gun.
 Cleanse all the think - ing that leads me to fear,

C G G/D F C/E C/G F/A FM7/A F/A FM7 G sus G

All my think - ing, speak - ing, and do - ing
 Self - ish mo - tives, flim - sy ex - cus - es,
 Fa - ther, Dream - er, O what a won - der!
 In Your Spir - it, lov - ing and ho - ly,

F/A C/G Dm7 C/E Dm7 G7 C

Ful - ly dis - cern - ing be - fore they be - gin.
 Ly - ing is fu - tile; You know what is true.
 Now as I trust You, my God, we are one!
 Joy - ful, my Fa - ther, to know You are here!

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TOPICS: God's Presence; Living in Christ; Psalm Hymns; Tunes, Classical

LEAD-IN: *Lord, You have searched me and known me.
You know when I sit down and when I get up;
You understand my thought from far away.
You scrutinize my path and my lying down,
And are acquainted with all my ways.
Even before there is a word on my tongue,
Behold, Lord, You know it all.
You have encircled me behind and in front,
And placed Your hand upon me.
Such knowledge is too wonderful for me;
It is too high, I cannot comprehend it.
(Psalm 139:1-6, NASB)*

LEAD-IN DEVOTIONAL READING:

Reflection on Psalm 139

You know me, Father.
You know me
 constantly and
 completely.
Whatever I am doing,
 however I am distracting myself,
beyond my shallow self-understanding,
fuzzy motives and all,
 You know me.
Your knowing
 surrounds me and
 encircles me,
 penetrating to the very core of
 who I am and
 why I do what I do.
At the very root of my thoughts,
before I speak,
before I act,
 You know.
 You understand.
Your hand is always on me.

You are with me
 every moment,
 in that intimate knowing.
Wherever I am,
whatever my situation,
whatever stress is pressing in on me,
 You are with me.
I cannot hide from You
 anything about myself.
It is futile to try.
You were the One weaving me together
 in my mother's womb,
 before even she knew I was there.

So,
 since I cannot run, and
 since I cannot hide,
search me.
 Try me.
 Know me completely.
If there is anything that doesn't please Your
 all-wise, all-loving heart,
do what only You can do, and
 enable me do what only I can do.
Make me right,
 through and through.
I know You want to, and
 I know You can.
Now I want it, too.

Creator,
 recreate me in the beautiful image of
 Your holy, loving Son,
 Jesus Christ.
Make me just like Him!

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