

# STUDY GUIDE



**JANUARY 16, 2022**

## **READ**

- As we approach the Sanctity of Life emphasis for this month, it is important that we ground our thoughts on scripture. Let's take a look at what God's Word tells us about this important topic.
- Read Psalm 139 and consider what lesson the Holy Spirit intends us to learn.

## **EXAMINE**

- What does this passage say about God and His attention to us?
- What does v.6 say about God's level of knowledge of us? Can we know ourselves better than He does?
- Is there anywhere we can go that is too far for God? Anywhere that His Spirit will not still lead us?
- Even if we deliberately go into darkness, what does v.11-12 say are God's limits?
- What do vs.13-16 tell you about God's knowledge and involvement in your birth and the plans He has for your life?
- The psalmist has great respect for God. He asks God to do something for Him in vs.23-24. What is it?

## **APPLY**

- In our reading, we understand that God was there in our lives, with a plan, from even before He formed us in our mothers' wombs. He knows every inch of us head to toe, every beat of our heart, and every minute of our lives. He knows our very thoughts before we think them and words before we speak them. Is there a person in this world that this isn't true of? Is there a time when something slips by God?
- According to this passage, why do we see dignity in every human and hold life as sacred? Knowing this, how then should we live?
- If you are in the midst of darkness, maybe of your own making, can you stop and take a moment to realize that God is there with you? His Spirit will guide you out if you will let Him. Are you willing?
- David asks God to search him out. Have you ever been willing to ask God this? If so, what happened? If not, what is stopping you?

## **PRAY**

Being a psalm, which is the "prayer book" or book of worship in the Bible, take time to pray this passage out loud. Praise God for what it says about Him, and ask Him to search you. Be prepared to respond to Him as you pray His word.

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# NOTES

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