

Be Still and Know: Beholding God in the Psalms

Lesson 2: Behold, O Lord, You Know it All

Psalm 139

Main idea: God is both infinitely glorious and intensely personal.

I. God _____ everything. (vv. 1-6)

Omniscience: The doctrine that God fully knows himself and all things both actual and possible in one simple and eternal act, meaning that He is *always* fully aware of everything and His knowledge never changes or grows.*

II. God is _____ everywhere. (vv.7-12)

Omnipresence: The doctrine that God does not have size or spatial dimensions and is present at every point in space with His whole being, yet God acts differently in different places.

III. God is all-_____. (vv. 6-15)

Omnipotence: The doctrine that God is able to do all His holy will.

IV. God is _____. (v. 16)

Sovereignty: God's exercise of power over His creation.

V. God is _____. (vv. 17, 18, 6)

Infinite: When used of God, a term referring to the fact that He is not subject to any of the limitations of humanity or of creation in general.

Incomprehensible: Not able to be fully understood. As this applies to God, it means that God cannot be understood fully or exhaustively, although we can know true things about God.

VI. God is _____. (vv. 19-24)

Holiness: The doctrine that God is separated from sin and devoted to seeking His own honor.

Time to "marinate:"

- 1) What aspect of God's character are you most thankful for right now and why?
- 2) Aprile talked about how we try to be like God in ways we cannot and should not. How do you see this in your own life?
- 3) What is your main take-away from studying Psalm 139?

*Note: All the definitions provided in the boxes are taken from Wayne Grudem's *Systematic Theology: An Introduction to Biblical Doctrine* (Zondervan, 1994).