



²³ Search me, God, and know my heart; test me and know my anxious thoughts. ²⁴ See if there is any offensive way in me, and lead me in the way everlasting.

– Psalm 139:23-24 (NIV)

1. God, search my _____. (Jeremiah 17:9)

⁹ The human heart is the most deceitful of all things, and desperately wicked. Who really knows how bad it is? – Jeremiah 17:9 (NLT)

- What is in our heart is often revealed by our _____.

2. God, reveal my _____.

- What we fear the _____ reveals where we trust God the _____.

3. God, uncover my _____.

- Cleansing starts with _____. (1 John 1:9)
- We confess to _____ for _____.
- We confess to _____ for _____ and _____ . (James 5:16)

4. God, lead me in _____ way.

⁶ Jesus said to him, “I am the way, and the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me. – John 14:6

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PSALM 139

- What do you think **v. 5** means (“you hem me in...”)?
- Why does **v. 6** say, “Such knowledge is too wonderful for me?” How do you feel when you think about how well God knows you?
- Is it comforting to know that God knew you before you were even born (**v. 13-16**)?
- In the middle of speaking about the unsurpassed knowledge of God, why do you think David suddenly starts speaking about the wicked enemies of God (**v. 19-22**)?
- Why do you think “search me” (**v. 23-24**) is a dangerous prayer? Does that prayer make you nervous? If so, how do you get past that nervousness to sincerely pray that prayer?
- What is the point in praying for God to “search me” (**v. 23-24**) if God already knows everything about us (**v. 1-18**)?
- How does the prayer in **v. 23-24** glorify God above all else?
- How does **v. 24** point to the what Jesus did on the cross? (*Hint: If God searches us for “grievous ways,” will he find anything? What did he do to deal with our sin and lead us into everlasting life?*)