

Sermon Title: God is... Immanent:

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Psalm 139: 1-24

- There is only One who can know us fully: God.

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Job 5:27

Psalm 139:1b

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Ezekiel 43:11

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Isaiah 40:28, 31

Psalm 139:9-10

Psalm 139:2b

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- Sometimes, no words need to be uttered, but

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Psalm 139:3a

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John 14:3

- He invites you to rest with him, into his *shalom*.

- God also protects you as you walk in his ways.

Proverbs 18:10; Nahum 1:7; Psalm 34:7

Psalm 139:5

- You go nowhere without Him allowing you to.

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Psalm 139:8b

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Psalm 139:13-16

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Psalm 139:15-16

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Psalm 139:17-18a

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LORD, you have searched me and known me! You know when I sit down and when I rise up; you discern my thoughts from afar. You search out my path and my lying down and are acquainted with all my ways. Even before a word is on my tongue, behold, O LORD, you know it altogether. You hem me in, behind and before, and lay your hand upon me. Such knowledge is too wonderful for me; it is high; I cannot attain it. Where shall I go from your Spirit? Or where shall I flee from your presence? If I ascend to heaven, you are there! If I make my bed in Sheol, you are there! If I take the wings of the morning and dwell in the uttermost parts of the sea, even there your hand shall lead me, and your right hand shall hold me. If I say, "Surely the darkness shall cover me, and the light about me be night," even the darkness is not dark to you; the night is bright as the day, for darkness is as light with you. For you formed my inward parts; you knitted me together in my mother's womb. I praise you, for I am fearfully and wonderfully made. Wonderful are your works; my soul knows it very well. My frame was not hidden from you, when I was being made in secret, intricately woven in the depths of the earth. Your eyes saw my unformed substance; in your book were written, every one of them, the days that were formed for me, when as yet there was none of them. How precious to me are your thoughts, O God! How vast is the sum of them! If I would count them, they are more than the sand. I awake, and I am still with you. Oh that you would slay the wicked, O God! O men of blood, depart from me! They speak against you with malicious intent; your enemies take your name in vain. Do I not hate those who hate you, O LORD? And do I not loathe those who rise up against you? I hate them with complete hatred; I count them my enemies. Search me, O God, and know my heart! Try me and know my thoughts! And see if there be any grievous way in me, and lead me in the way everlasting!

Job 5:27

Behold, this we have searched out; it is true. Hear and know it for your good.

Ezekiel 43:11

And if they are ashamed of all that they have done, make known to them the design of the temple, its arrangement, its exits and its entrances, that is, its whole design; and make known to them as well all its statutes and its whole design and all its laws, and write it down in their sight, so that they may observe all its laws and all its statutes and carry them out.

Isaiah 40:28

Have you not known? Have you not heard? The Lord is the everlasting God, the Creator of the ends of the earth. He does not faint or grow weary; his understanding is unsearchable...

Isaiah 40:31

But they who wait for the Lord shall renew their strength; they shall mount up with wings like eagles; they shall run and not be weary; they shall walk and not faint.

John 14:3

And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and will take you to myself, that where I am you may be also.

Proverbs 18:10

The name of the Lord is a strong tower; the righteous man runs into it and is safe.

Nahum 1:7

The Lord is good, a stronghold in the way of trouble; he knows those who take refuge in him.

Psalm 34:7

The angel of the Lord encamps around those who fear him and delivers them.

1 John 1:9

If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.