

## 1. Introduction

a. These 2 verses have been set to music

b. God's actions

- search (look into) my heart
- try (test) me
- God knows my thoughts
- see (check) if wicked ways in me

- lead me into everlasting way

c. David turns to God

- not run away from God
- David a man after God's own heart (1 Sam 13:14, Acts 13:22)

d. Ask for wisdom

- Jms 1:5-6 ask God for wisdom
- \* ask in faith believing that you will receive it
- \* God gives wisdom liberally without reproach

## 2. Lord Knows Us

a. Ps 139:1-2 Lord knows me & searches me

- God knows my thoughts from far away

b. Human understanding limited

c. "∞" means infinity

- God has no limits in knowing & understanding

- God knows the end from the beginning (Is 46:9-10)

d. Trust in the Lord with all your heart (Prov 3:5; Psalms 37:3, 73:28, 118:8)

3. David invites God's search
- a. David wanted to be honest with God
  - b. David asks God to lead him
  - c. Only God totally knows each human heart
    - I need God to lead me to know my evil thoughts within
    - I need God to lead me away from my evil ways
    - I need to ask God for forgiveness for my evil ways
  - d. Every human tends to be blind to their own faults

4. David invites God to lead him
- a. Two ways to live
    - wicked way
    - everlasting way
  - b. All ways of living have consequences
    - Rom 6:12-13 Present your members (body parts) as instruments of righteous \* your behavior & actions
  - c. Christian to do their best to live in God's ways
    - \* 1 Cor 3:16-17 Christian's physical body is God's temple
    - \* 1 Cor 6:13-20 Christian is joined to the Lord (body, soul, & spirit)
      - x one spirit
      - x body is temple of Holy Spirit
      - x Christian does not belong to himself
      - x Christian bought at a price
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