

### III. GOD IS GOOD

#### A. You cannot count God's goodness.

The fact that God is good means that He has no evil in Him. He always does what is right.

<sup>17</sup> *"How precious also are Your thoughts to me, O God! How great is the sum of them!"*

<sup>18</sup> *"If I should count them, they would be more in number than the sand; when I awake, I am still with You."*

Psalm 139:17-18

<sup>12</sup> *"What shall I render to the LORD for all His benefits toward me?"*

Psalm 116:12

#### B. You are besieged by God's love.

<sup>14</sup> *"For the love of Christ compels us, because we judge thus: that if One died for all, then all died;"*

<sup>15</sup> *and He died for all, that those who live should live no longer for themselves, but for Him who died for them and rose again.*

II Corinthians 5:14-15

Compel in its original language is "to hold together, to compress or surge, or arrest (a prisoner)."

The Interlinear Bible

<sup>24</sup> *"who Himself bore our sins in His own body on the tree, that we, having died to sins, might live for righteousness—by whose <sup>[a]</sup> stripes you were healed."*

I Peter 2:24

**WHERE CAN I GO FROM YOUR PRESENCE? NO WHERE!!**

## BIBLE QUESTIONS ANSWERED

**David Ask: Where Can I Go From Your Presence?**

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### Introduction:

**A.** Do you know how many questions there are in the Bible? A lot! There are over 3200 questions asked in the Bible. The first question is asked in Genesis 3 and the last question is asked in Revelation 18. The Bible is a book of both questions and answers!

These questions include numerous topics. Perhaps the most important category is that of Bible doctrine. Doctrine refers to essential beliefs found within the Bible which are systematically organized and understood.

Titus 2:1 instructs, *"But as for you, speak the things which are proper for sound doctrine."*

**B.** Join us for Bible Questions Answered as we answer seven compelling questions in the Bible about seven core areas of doctrine. Come and discover the essential teachings of the Christian faith and be equipped to know what you believe and why you believe it.

Aug 17 Satan Ask: Did God Really Say That?

Aug 24 David Ask: What Is Man?

TODAY David Ask: Where Can I Go From Your Presence?

Sept 7 Paul Ask: Shall We Continue In Sin?

Sept 14 Jailor Ask: What Must I Do To Be Saved?

Sept 21 Disciples Ask: What Are The Signs Of The End?

Sept 28 Jesus Ask: Who Am I?

### C. TEXT Psalm 139:1-18

David's question pertains to the doctrine of God.

<sup>7</sup> *"Where can I go from Your Spirit? Or where can I flee from Your presence?"*

Psalm 139:7

## HOW TO UNDERSTAND THE NATURE OF GOD

### I. GOD IS OMNIPRESENT

- A. Omnipresent means God is all-present. He is everywhere at the same time.

<sup>24</sup> *"Can anyone hide himself in secret places, so I shall not see him?" says the LORD; 'Do I not fill heaven and earth?' says the LORD."* Jeremiah 23:24

<sup>7</sup> *"Where can I go from Your Spirit? Or where can I flee from Your presence?"* Psalm 139:7

The meaning of "Spirit" in this verse:

<sup>24</sup> *"God is Spirit, and those who worship Him must worship in spirit and truth."* John 4:24

"It is the Spirit that gives significance to matter and apart from the Spirit nothing has any value that lasts."

A.W. Tozer

<sup>3</sup> *"All things were made through Him, and without Him nothing was made that was made."*

John 1:3

- B. You cannot escape God. He is constantly with you.

<sup>8</sup> *"If I ascend into heaven, You are there; if I make my bed in hell, behold, You are there."*

<sup>9</sup> *"If I take the wings of the morning, and dwell in the uttermost parts of the sea,"* Psalm 139:8-9

<sup>2</sup> *"Though they dig into hell, from there My hand shall take them; though they climb up to heaven, from there I will bring them down;"* Amos 9:2

<sup>27</sup> *"But will God indeed dwell on the earth? Behold, heaven and the heaven of heavens cannot contain You. How much less this temple which I have built!"*

I Kings 8:27

"The Bible clearly declares that God is immanent in His creation, that there is no place in heaven, or earth, or hell where we may hide from His presence." A.W. Tozer

### II. GOD IS OMNISCIENT

- A. Omniscient means God is all-knowing. He has perfect knowledge and is aware of the past, present, and future.

<sup>1</sup> *"O LORD, You have searched me and known me."*

<sup>2</sup> *You know my sitting down and my rising up; You understand my thought afar off."*

<sup>3</sup> *You comprehend my path and my lying down, And are acquainted with all my ways."*

<sup>4</sup> *For there is not a word on my tongue, But behold, O LORD, You know it altogether."* Psalm 139:1-4

<sup>13</sup> *"Who has directed the Spirit of the LORD, or as His counselor has taught Him?"* Isaiah 40:13

- B. God knows you by name.

<sup>14</sup> *"I will praise You, for I am fearfully and wonderfully made; marvelous are Your works, and that my soul knows very well."*

<sup>15</sup> *My frame was not hidden from You, when I was made in secret, and skillfully wrought in the lowest parts of the earth."* Psalm 139:14-15

<sup>1</sup> *"But now, thus says the LORD, who created you, O Jacob, and He who formed you, O Israel: 'Fear not, for I have redeemed you; I have called you by your name; you are Mine.'"* Isaiah 43:1

- C. God revealed himself to us.

<sup>5</sup> *"You have hedged me behind and before, and laid Your hand upon me."*

<sup>6</sup> *Such knowledge is too wonderful for me; it is high, I cannot attain it."* Psalm 139:5-6

<sup>9</sup> *"But as it is written: 'Eye has not seen, nor ear heard, nor have entered into the heart of man the things which God has prepared for those who love Him.'"*

<sup>10</sup> *But God has revealed them to us through His Spirit. For the Spirit searches all things, yes, the deep things of God."*

I Corinthians 2:9-10