God Is Omniscient

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Psalms 139:1-2 To the chief Musician, A Psalm of David. O LORD, thou hast searched me, and known me. Thou knowest my downsitting and mine uprising, thou understandest my thought afar off.

- I. David understood that there was nothing about himself that God did not know.
 - A. God knows everything about everyone, everything, and every place.
 - B. "Omni" means universal, or "all" science means knowledge.
 - C. God has all knowledge and this is an attribute that belongs only to God.
 - D. We as men and women can know a lot, but we can never know everything.
 - E. We cannot even begin to know everything about ourselves God knows much more about us than we do about ourselves.
 - F. God is infinite in all his attributes and so it is with his knowledge.
 - G. God does not have to search out and seek for knowledge because He already knows all things.
 - H. God knows all things throughout time past, present, and future.
 - 1. He sees the future sort of like we see the past.
 - 2. To say God has foreknowledge is only a term to accommodate our feeble understanding.
 - 3. God simply knows all that has ever happened, all that is happening right now, and all that will happen in what we call the future.
 - I. Jesus proved many times his divinity by showing that He possessed all knowledge.

Matthew 17:27 Notwithstanding, lest we should offend them, go thou to the sea, and cast an hook, and take up the fish that first cometh up; and when thou hast opened his mouth, thou shalt find a piece of money: that take, and give unto them for me and thee.

- 1. When He astounded the doctors in the temple as a child.
- 2. When the Scribes and Pharisees could not trap him in words.
- 3. When He told Peter that he would deny him.
- 4. When He said, "Let us go unto the other side" and a storm nearly destroyed their boat. (Mark 4:35)
- 5. When He told us what would come to pass before his second coming.
- II. Since God knows all things we can have confidence in Him.
 - A. Since He knows all things and He is benevolent and kind and full of good will toward us we know that He will always do what is right.
 - B. We can have confidence that He knows what we do not or cannot know.
 - 1. He is the One we can ask to find answers that no man can give us.
 - C. Since He knows what is ahead for us we can have confidence that He will not lead us into destruction.
 - 1. We can also know that if we are destroyed while living in and doing God's will then it is the best thing for us according to his infinite wisdom.
 - D. Since He knows how our decisions will affect our future we should seek the knowledge of the Lord in every decision we make— especially those that are major events in our life.

- III. Since God knows everything about everyone and every place we should understand very well that we cannot deceive Him.
 - A. We cannot hide anything from the Lord He knows even our thoughts afar off.
 - B. He knows our innermost thoughts and the secrets of our heart.
 - C. We can only hide what is in our heart from other people, but we should bear in the forefront of our minds always that God sees even the secrets of our heart.
 - D. We should never forget God and pretend that He doesn't exist or that He is not seeing what we are thinking or doing.
 - E. To really believe in the God of heaven who created all things and knows all things will produce a consciousness of his presence always.
 - F. Since God is omniscient, knowing all things, the written Word of God should be highly esteemed by all people.
 - 1. It is the knowledge of God revealed.
 - 2. It is the heart of God revealed.
 - 3. It is the mind of God revealed.
 - 4. It is the will of God revealed.
 - G. To be reconciled to God and to know Him gives us access to all things.

In whom are hid all the treasures of wisdom and knowledge. (Colossians 2:3)

For through him we both have access by one Spirit unto the Father. (Ephesians 2:18)

In whom we have boldness and access with confidence by the faith of him. (Ephesians 3:12)