Psalm 139:1-13

God Knows Everything

1 A psalm of David.

O Yahweh, You have examined me.
   You know everything there is about me.
2 You know when I sit down and when I get up.
   From a distance, You understand my thoughts.
3 You know where I go and where I lie down.
   You are familiar with all of my ways.
4 O Yahweh, even before I say a word,
   behold, You already know what I’m going to say.
5 You surround me — in front and in back.
   You have put Your hand upon me.
6 Such knowledge is too wonderful for me.
   It’s more than I can understand.
7 Where could I go to get away from Your Spirit!? Nowhere.
   Where could I run from Your presence!? Nowhere.
8 If I were to go up to the skies, You are there.
    If I were to lie down where the dead are, behold, You are there.
9 If I were to get up at dawn,
    or dwell in the remotest part of the sea,
10 even there Your hand would guide me.
    You would hold me tight with Your right hand.

11 If I were to think: “The darkness will surely hide me.
    The light around me will turn into night.”
12 Even the darkness would not be dark to You.
    The night would be as light as the day.
    To You, darkness and light are the same.

13 You made all my intricate parts.
   You formed me in my mother’s womb.