



Known and Redeemed
Psalm 139
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1. The Rebellion: Autonomy from God

2. The Reality: Everything Exists in Relation to God

3. The Remedy: Psalm 139 is about Our Redeemer

1. Read Psalm 139:14. How does this verse affirm the inherent worth of every human life, regardless of physical ability, health, or circumstances of conception? How should this understanding of the "wonderful" creation of each person influence how we view and treat unborn children?

2. Read Psalm 139:16. What does this reveal about God's foreknowledge and purpose for each person, even before birth? How does this verse challenge arguments that the unborn are less valuable because they are not fully developed or independent?

Questions for Reflection and Application

3. In a world where some lives are seen as more "valuable" than others, how does this Psalm address issues of equality and human dignity from a biblical perspective?
4. Given the Psalm's emphasis on God's sovereignty in creating life and knowing the length of our days, how should this influence our understanding of human rights over life, particularly in cases of abortion? How does this contrast with the idea that humans have the ultimate right to decide when life begins or ends?
5. Reflect on how you personally value life at all stages. Are there areas in your thinking or actions where this needs to be realigned with a biblical view of the sacredness of life?
6. For those who have experienced abortion, how can the message of God's intimate knowledge and love in Psalm 139 provide a pathway for healing and restoration? How can we offer the grace and mercy of God to those who struggle with guilt or shame over past decisions, while still upholding the pro-life message?
7. What does all this teach us about the message of the gospel?