

The Comfort and Challenge of God's Omniscience

God's Perfect Knowledge of Man

PSALM 139:1–6

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Omniscience isn't just knowing a lot of facts; it is knowing **everything** that can possibly be known. This includes:

- **The Past:** Every event, even those forgotten by history.
- **The Present:** Every leaf falling, every heartbeat, and every secret thought occurring right now.
- **The Future:** Every event that will take place, without doubt or error.
- **The "Counterfactuals":** Knowing what *would* have happened if a different choice had been made (often called "Middle Knowledge").

Do you feel like you've been watched by technology?

More Than Surveillance



We live in an age of constant surveillance.

Algorithms track our clicks, cameras watch our streets, and data companies profile our every preference.

But there is **a** Knowledge far deeper than any data point — one that is not cold or commercial, but intimate, eternal, and full of love.

A psalm of David.

¹ O LORD, you have examined my heart and know everything about me.

² You know when I sit down or stand up.

You know my thoughts even when I'm far away.

³ You see me when I travel and when I rest at home. You know everything I do.

⁴ You know what I am going to say even before I say it, LORD.

⁵ You go before me and follow me. You place your hand of blessing on my head.

⁶ Such knowledge is too wonderful for me, too great for me to understand!

A Knowledge That Anticipates

The "Before"

God does not learn.

He has never had an "aha!" moment, nor is He surprised by the morning headlines.

His knowledge is not reactive — it is eternal.



O LORD, you have examined my heart
and know everything about me. (Psalm 139:1 NLT)

Point 1

He Knew Your Story First

The Eternal Plan

Before the foundations of the world were laid, God already knew your name, your struggles, and your story. You were never an afterthought.

God and Time

God is not traveling along a timeline — He is the **author** of the timeline. He sees the end from the beginning, holding all of history in a single, sovereign gaze.

No Anxiety About Tomorrow

If God already knows your "tomorrow," you don't have to face it with fear. Your future is not a mystery to the One who sustains the universe.



Point 2

You know when I sit down or stand up.
You know my thoughts even when I'm far
away. (Psalm 139:2 NLT)

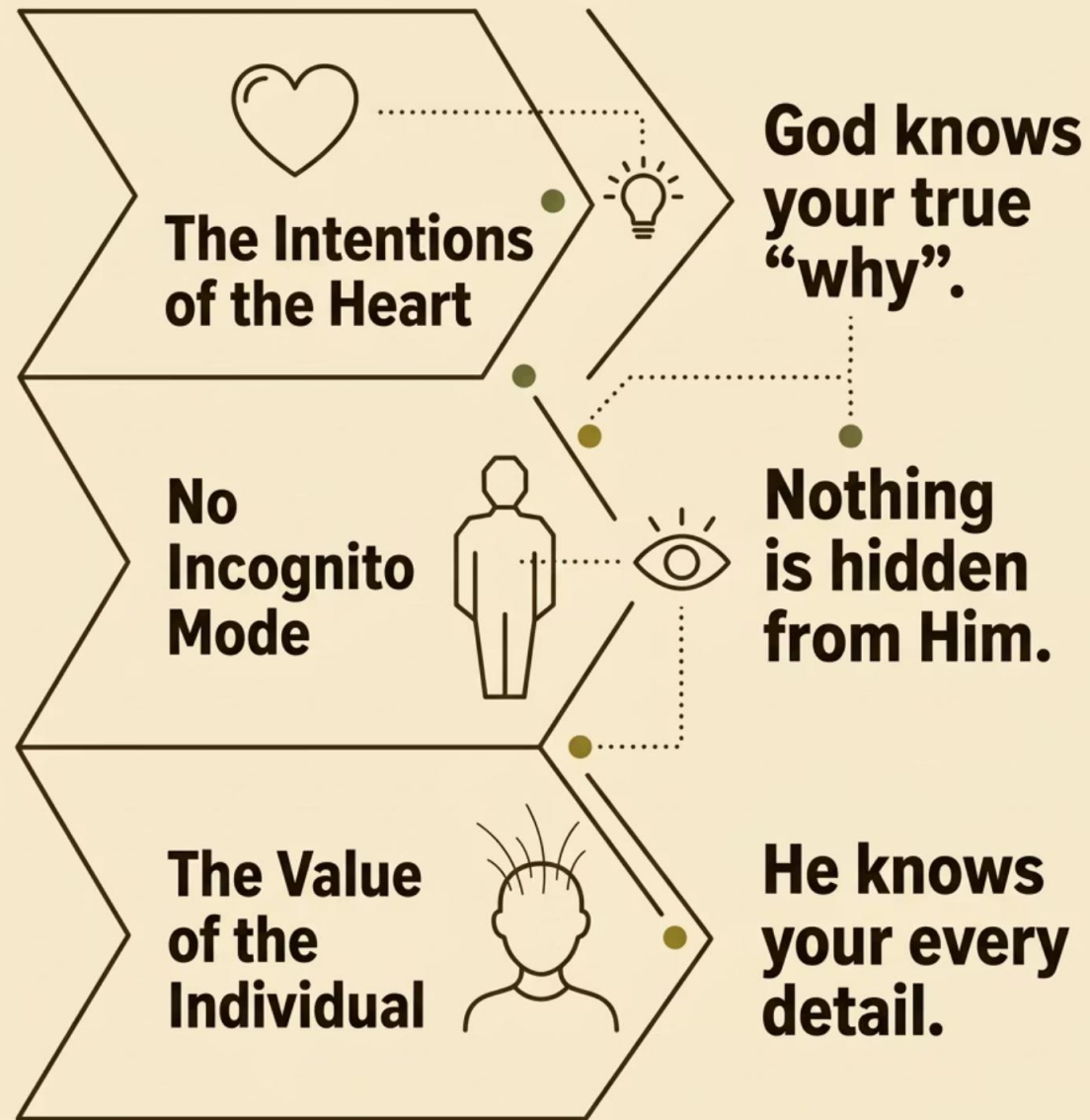
A Knowledge That Penetrates

The "Within"

God's omniscience is His perfect, eternal, and
immediate knowledge of all things:

past, present, future.

He Sees Behind the Mask



Human beings are experts at **impression management** —

showing the world a filtered, curated version of our lives.

But God's omniscience pierces through every mask.

He knows the silent prayer behind the tear. He sees the genuine motive behind the public act of kindness.

He even knows the number of hairs on your head —proving His knowledge is not just "big picture," but **intimate and relational**.

The Central Question

Terror or Treasure?

How we feel about God's omniscience depends entirely on the state of our hearts.

To the Rebel

Omniscience is **terrifying**. It means no sin is hidden and no injustice goes unjudged.

To the Redeemed

Omniscience is a **treasure**. It means God knows your struggle. He knows you are trying. He knows the pain you cannot put into words — and He is not indifferent to it.

Fully Known. Fully Loved.

God knows the worst parts of us —

the thoughts you would never utter
aloud —

and yet, knowing us fully, He loved us
enough to send His Son to die for us."



Part 3

Our Response: Radical Transparency



Since we cannot hide from God, the wisest response is to **stop trying.**

The Psalmist concludes his meditation not with dread, but with a courageous invitation:

"Search me, O God, and know my heart; test me and know my anxious thoughts. See if there is any offensive way in me and lead me in the way everlasting."
— **Psalm 139:23–24**

What should I do?

Abandon Hypocrisy

Confession is not telling God something He doesn't already know.

What is? Confession, is finally **Stop Pretending** –

Be honest about what He has seen all along. and surrender the “MASK”

Rest in His Providence

He knows what you need before you even ask (Matthew 6:8).

You don't need to *convince* God to help you — only trust that He already knows the way out.



Live Without Anxiety

The God who knows tomorrow has already prepared the grace you will need for the moment you haven't even reached yet.

The Promise: "If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just and will forgive us our sins and purify us from all unrighteousness" (1 John 1:9).

Confession is the doorway to experiencing that purification.

Why does it matter if He already knows?

Confession is an expression of trust.

You only confess to someone you believe is merciful.

If you view God only as a judge, you hide.

If you view God as a Father, you confess.

By confessing, you are declaring:

***"I believe Your grace
is bigger than my failure."***



The Comfort to have an Omniscient God!

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Would you Pray with me?

"Lord God, thank You that I am not a stranger to You. I accept Jesus you as my savior and Lord. Wash me clean I pray!

Thank You that You see my heart, my fears, and my hidden hopes.

Grant me the courage to live transparently before You, and the peace to rest in the fact that nothing in my life catches You by surprise. Amen."

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