

O Lord, You have searched me and know me
Psalm 139 V. 1-14 and 17-18

- 1 O LORD, You have searched me, and know me.
- 2 When I sit down or stand up You know it, You understand my thoughts from afar.
- 3 You observe my walking, and You are familiar with all my ways.
- 4 There is not a word on my tongue, but that You O LORD know it well.
- 5 You hedge me before and behind and You lay Your hand upon me.
- 6 It is beyond my knowledge; It is a mystery; I cannot fathom it
- 7 Where can I escape Your spirit? Where can I escape from Your presence?
- 8 If I ascend into heaven You are there; If I descend to Sh'ol You are there too behold.
- 9 If I take wing with the dawn to come to rest on the horizon; Even there Your hands will be guiding me, Your right hand will hold me fast.
- 10 Even there would Thy hand lead me, and Thy right hand would hold me.
- 11 And if I say: 'Surely the darkness will conceal me, night will provide me with cover
- 12 Even the darkness is not dark to You, night is as light as the day. Darkness and light are the same.
- 13 It was You who created my conscience; You who fashioned me in my mother's womb.
- 14 I will praise You for I am fearfully and wonderfully made; wonderful are Your works; I know it very well.
- 17 How weighty Your thoughts seem to me, O God! How great is their number.
- 18 If I count them they are more than grains of sand, were I to come to the end of them I would still be with You.