

O Lord, you have searched me out

Psalm 139:1-18

Words: Common Worship
Music: David Lee



- 1 O Lord, you have searched me ' out and ' known me; *
you know my sitting down and my rising up;
you dis'cern my ' thoughts · from a'far.
- 2 You mark out my journeys ' and my ' resting place *
and are ac'quainted with ' all my ' ways.
- 3 For there is not a word ' on my ' tongue, *
but you, O Lord, ' know it ' alto'gether.
- 4 You encompass me be'hind and be'fore *
and ' lay your ' hand up'on me.
- ‡ 5 Such knowledge is too ' wonderful ' for me, *
so ' high that I ' cannot at'tain it.
- 6 Where can I go then ' from your ' spirit? *
Or ' where can I ' flee · from your ' presence?
- 7 If I climb up to heaven, ' you are ' there; *
if I make the grave my bed, ' you are ' there ' also.
- 8 If I take the ' wings of the ' morning *
and dwell in the ' uttermost ' parts · of the ' sea,
- 9 Even there your ' hand shall ' lead me, *
your ' right hand ' hold me ' fast.
- 10 If I say, ' Surely the ' darkness will ' cover me *
and the light a'round me ' turn to ' night',
- 11 Even darkness is no darkness with you;
the night is as ' clear as the ' day; *
darkness and light to ' you are ' both a'like.
- (optional end)*
- 12 For you yourself created my ' inmost ' parts; *
you knit me together ' in my ' mother's ' womb.
- 13 I thank you, for I am fearfully
and ' wonder·fully ' made; *
marvellous are your ' works, my ' soul knows ' well.
- 14 My frame was not ' hidden ' from you, *
when I was made in secret
and ' woven · in the ' depths of the ' earth.
- 15 Your eyes beheld my form, as ' yet un'finished; *
already in your book
were ' all my ' members ' written.
- ‡ 16 As day by day ' they were ' fashioned *
when as ' yet ' there was ' none of them.
- 17 How deep are your counsels to ' me, O ' God! *
How ' great ' is the ' sum of them!
- 18 If I count them, they are more in
number ' than the ' sand, *
and at the end, ' I am ' still in your ' presence.

*Glory to the Father and ' to the ' Son, *
and ' to the ' Holy ' Spirit;*

*as it was in the be'ginning is ' now *
and shall be for ' ever. ' A'men.*