

Psalm 139:13-18

How Well Does God Know Us?

The facts are in scientifically, _____ begins at conception but _____, God's knowledge of us does not.

You might be thinking today that God doesn't know much about you or isn't really concerned about the details of your life. I suggest you read _____.

Notice that David uses some descriptive terms in the text today. God not only knew him at that time but even before _____ _____ . David uses the term "formed." It's been translated possessed as well. The thought is that God formed David's _____ _____ . Jehovah knew David so well that he _____ him in his mother's womb. God _____ him together.

God's Word compels us to acknowledge that abortion is the _____ of a human

life and not just destroying a _____ of _____. Statistics show that there have been over _____ abortions. Yet statistics just make abortion a _____ problem. Our culture's view of abortion is driven by its lack of regard for life generally. When you step into a voting booth, remember there are politicians who believe abortion is acceptable even 1 second before birth. Infanticide, also, is an option for babies surviving abortion.

How should we treat women who've had abortions? Remember that King David was guilty of _____, Moses was guilty of _____ and the Apostle Paul was guilty of _____. Another thought: I'm so against abortion I've helped financially to support women to avoid it. True/False?

David continued to state that he viewed himself as being _____ and

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_____ made. David was no doctor but understood the _____ of life.

David also understood that he had a _____. The text then states that God knew David when he was being _____ in his mother. Although no human being could track that development, God had a view no one else could or can today.

David then speaks to the omniscience of God in that He already knows our _____. The result of all this truth?

These things did not alarm David at all. In fact, this all gave him _____.

How about you today?

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Nehemiah 5:6-13

Dealing with Opposition pt. 3

Nehemiah has had to deal with opposition from the outside and inside the city of Jerusalem. He dealt with the _____ abuse and the potential of _____ abuse as well. As with anything in his life, he spent time in the _____, in _____ and _____ to wisely deal with these things.

Last time we were together, Nehemiah heard the outcry of his own people. They couldn't pay their bills, their taxes, they were losing their property and most importantly, some were losing their children. It was bad enough for them to experience these things but it was worse in that the oppressors were _____.

Remember that Nehemiah's response was _____ but he didn't stop there. The text adds that he "_____ them _____." He took time to consider his response.

He called a meeting with the oppressors, the nobles and officials. It appears he attempted to resolve this issue _____ (Matt 18). Nehemiah took the role of a prosecutor and charged them, he rebuked them. He charges them with _____, profiting from their suffering. He tells them as well that selling them as slaves was an abomination in the sight of God.

One word describes him: _____.

Nehemiah was proposing basically a year of jubilee. He was calling for them to

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return money, land, buildings and people to the former owners and parents.

An interesting comment in verse 10 makes it sound as if Nehemiah was confessing to charging interest to his fellow Jews. Did he? If he did, he is calling all, including himself, to repentance. It also could be taken that Nehemiah is saying "I didn't charge interest, follow my example."

When the nobles and officials don't respond, he calls a public meeting. Imagine how hard this was! He also had to stop the work on the wall. Nehemiah understood that the wall surrounding God's city and God's people would be _____ if God's people were sinning against God's people.

"If we are going to win the world to Jesus, the world is going to have to see what _____."

What happened as Nehemiah called these men to repent? Verse 12.

He also had them swear an oath, after they verbally consented.

Nehemiah then symbolically shook his robe and caused everything in the fold to fall to the ground. The idea was that if they failed in their oath, God would _____.