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NORTH METRO CHURCH

NMC SERMON SERIES CONTENT



“Dependent” SERIES OVERVIEW:

This four-week series covers four different psalms expressing thankfulness, gratitude, and a postured heart toward God and his faithful actions toward his people. A thankful heart is always a dependent heart. How do we continue to thank God in the midst of dry seasons?

"DEPENDENT"

WEEK 4



Icebreaker:

As we head into Thanksgiving next week, what is thing that excites you most about this holiday?

Discussion Questions:

Does Thanksgiving and the coming of the Christmas season produce any anxiety within you?
If so, what about the holidays causes this anxiety?

How do you deal with this anxiety?

Read Psalm 139:1-24 as a group. As you read, highlight or write down key attributes of God.

Which of these attributes grab your attention the most and why?

How does knowing these attributes of God challenge you to respond to him?

Justin submitted that Psalms 139 teaches that:

- God knows you.
- God is with you.
- God designed you
- God thinks highly of you.

Why does it matter that God knows you so intimately? What difference does it make? Why does David make such a big deal over it?

What does **139:11-12** say about God's ability to transform the most hopeless of situations?

Think of a time you felt all alone. Did it help (or would it have helped) to know that God was with you? Why or why not?

How will the truth of Psalm 139 effect you the next time:

- You feel unloved or insignificant?
- You fail at something?
- You sin?
- You are treated unkindly or unfairly?
- You feel lonely or abandoned?
- The ones you love the most seem oblivious to your deepest needs?
- You feel anxious?

What direction are we given in regards to our anxiety in:

- 1 Peter 5:7
- Philippians 4:6

What does it look like to live those verses out?

Since David has already acknowledged that God knows everything about him, what is his purpose in asking God to search him and know his heart?

Why does God need to search our hearts instead of us searching our own hearts?

If God points out an "offensive way" in you, what will you do about it?

Looking back at this week's teaching and study, is there one thing you'd especially like to remember this week?

What questions do you still have?

How can the group help you / pray for you?