## PSALM 139

- 1 Lord You've searched and sought me out, examined all my heart; allowing You to know me, (in all my hidden parts).
- 2 You know whenever I sit down, or rise back up again; You understand and see my thoughts, before they're formed within.
- 3 Winnowing the road before me, even when I sleep; You know my customs and my ways, yes every path I keep.
- 4 For not a word comes from my tongue, no matter that I speak; but O Lord You know it all, (for my deep thoughts You seek).
- 5 You've fortified my hinder parts, and all that is ahead; and set Your hand above me, so I've nothing here to dread.
- 6 The knowledge that You give me, is remarkable and wise; loftier than I could reach, so excellent and high.
- 7 Where can I walk that You're not there, Your spirit ever near; to where could I flee from Your face, (the one that I hold dear)?
- 8 Where could I go into the heavens, that You'd not be there; or where could I lie in the grave, and You no longer care?
- 9 Should I lift up on wings of flight, and journey to the dawn; or lodge in distant ocean shores, and regions still beyond.
- 10 Yet even there You'd gather me, and guide me in the way; for Your right hand will hold me up, (in kindness all the day).
- 11 Should I claim that of a truth, the dark shall overwhelm; yet even in the darkest night, Your light will be my help.
- 12 Obscurity can never darken, You for e'en the night; shines as bright as day, and all the darkness becomes light.
- 13 For 'tis You has created, all my organs twined; a tapestry from mother's belly, (comes only from Your mind).
- 14 I will lift my hands in praise, in awe for wondrous deeds; You've made my body and my soul, to know You as You lead.
- 15 My body was not hid from You, when fashioned deep inside; embroidered in the womb's own depth, from "dust" that You provide.
- 16 Your eyes saw me an embryo, engraved me in Your scroll; daily as each cell was fashioned, not yet fully whole.
- 17 How beautiful Your thoughts unto me, precious every care; Almighty God O who could count, Your love beyond compare?
- 18 If they'd be tallied would be greater, than sands on the shore; when I wake You yet are with me, faithful evermore.
- 19 Will not all the wicked be, cut off from You O God; will you not be all cast forth, ye worthless men of blood?

- 20 For they boast of evil plans, with mischief in their hearts; all my foes lift up themselves, in vain and reckless arts.
- 21 Those who hate You shall I hate, O Lord (I ask of You); should I not detest these ones, who rise against Your truth?
- 22 They are my foes unto the end, the hateful in their deeds; I reckon them as adversaries, (but the Lord I please).
- 23 Search O God and know my heart, examine deep within; test and prove me and You'll know, my thoughts are free from sin.
- 24 See where they all follow idols, on a godless way; and guide me in Your chosen path, unto unending day.