

A SONG OF DAVID

PSALM 139

LET'S PRAY



Psalm 139

Written by King David
1000 years before Jesus
How our Sovereign God views David
Praise, Wisdom, Healing, Surrender
Starts and finishes with searching

BACKGROUND PART I

Psalm 139

David makes himself vulnerable.

David connects with God's heart (v23-24)

David lets us see the Father's nature.

David's intimate relationship is revealed.

David's psalm is a pattern to live by.

BACKGROUND PART II

Psalm 139

Probably the Crown of Psalms (150)

It only has 24 verses.

We see the inverted gaze of the poet, David.

It culminates in a call to connect.

It's a better read, so often sung, requires living.

BACKGROUND PART III

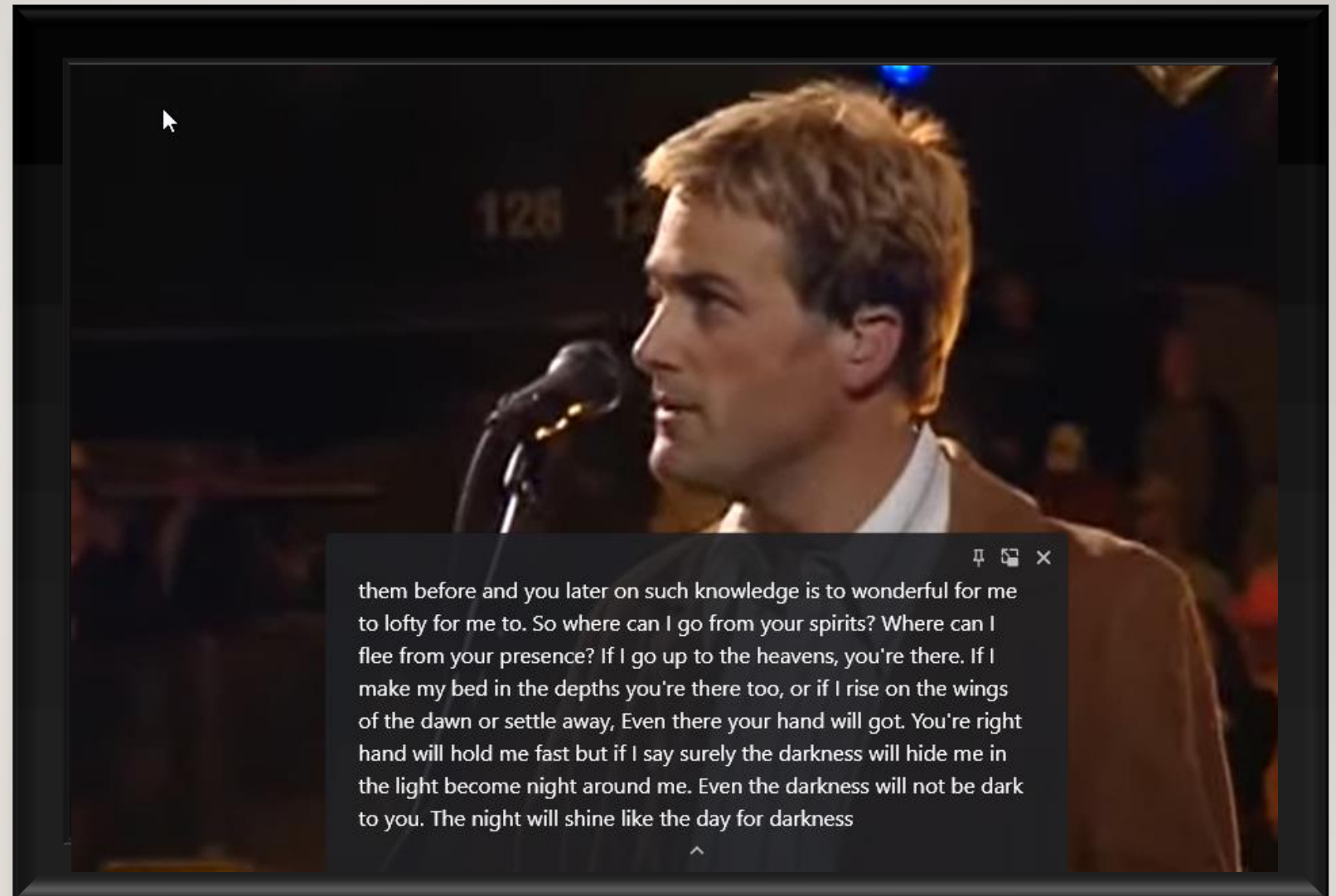
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(SPOKEN IN 2012)

12M VIEWS

Psalm 139

OVER THE YEARS



ARRIVAL OF
HER MAJESTY
THE QUEEN'S
COFFIN AT
WESTMINSTER
HALL (Sept 2022)

Psalm 139

LAST YEAR



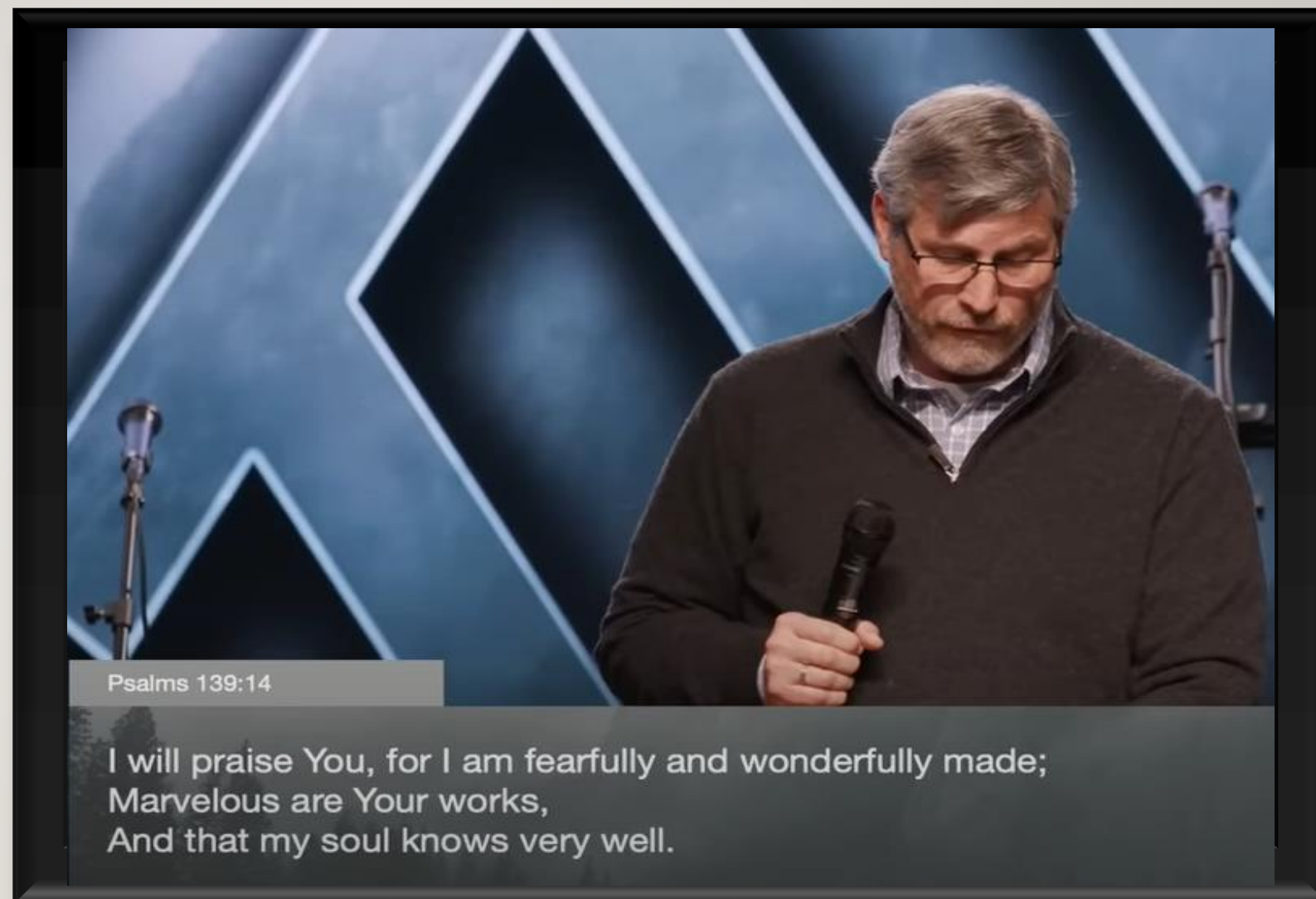
O LORD, thou hast searched me out, and known me:
thou knowest my down-sitting, and mine up-rising;
thou understandest my thoughts long before.

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THE
TENDERNESS
OF GOD //
ALLEN HOOD //
(Sunday service 2023)

Psalm 139

THIS YEAR



Psalms 139:14

I will praise You, for I am fearfully and wonderfully made;
Marvelous are Your works,
And that my soul knows very well.

Explanation

Before we read the Psalm together

verses 1- 6

verses 7 – 12

verses 13 – 18

verses 19 - 24

Psalm 139 - Four Sections.

Verses 1 - 6 Omnipresent

Means: ***God is everywhere at the same time.***

SECTION ONE – HAS UNBOUNDED AND UNIVERSAL PRESCIENCE

Verses 7 - 12 Omniscient

Means: ***God is all-knowing***

SECTION TWO – UNLIMITED KNOWLEDGE AND AWARENESS OF PAST, PRESENT, & FUTURE.

Verses 13 - 18 Omnipotent

Means: ***God is all-powerful***

SECTION THREE – HAS TOTAL AND UNBRIDLED POWER AND AUTHORITY.

Verses 19 - 24 Omnibenevolent

Means: ***God is all good, just, & fair***

SECTION FOUR – JUSTICE AND MERCY

PSALM 139

Let's read together



GOD THE OMNIPRESENCE

- ¹ LORD, You have searched me and known *me*.
- ² You know when I sit down and when I get up;
You understand my thought from far away.
- ³ You scrutinise my path and my lying down,
And are acquainted with all my ways.

GOD THE OMNIPRESENCE

- ⁴ Even before there is a word on my tongue,
Behold, LORD, You know it all.
- ⁵ You have encircled me behind and in front,
And placed Your hand upon me.
- ⁶ *Such* knowledge is too wonderful for me;
It is *too* high; I cannot comprehend it.

GOD THE OMNISCIENT

⁷ Where can I go from Your Spirit?
Or where can I flee from Your presence?
⁸ If I ascend to heaven, You are there;
If I make my bed in Sheol, behold, You are there.
⁹ *If* I take up the wings of the dawn,
If I dwell in the remotest part of the sea,

GOD THE OMNISCIENT

¹⁰ Even there, Your hand will lead me,
And Your right hand will take hold of me.

¹¹ *If* I say, “Surely the darkness will overwhelm me,
And the light around me will be night,”

¹² Even darkness is not dark to You,
And the night is as bright as the day.
Darkness and light are alike *to You*.

GOD THE OMNIPOTENT

¹³ For You created my innermost parts;
You wove me in my mother's womb.

¹⁴ I will give thanks to You because I am
awesomely and wonderfully *made*;
Wonderful are Your works,
And my soul knows it very well.

GOD THE OMNIPOTENT

¹⁵ My frame was not hidden from You
When I was made in secret,
And skillfully formed in the depths
of the earth;

GOD THE OMNIPOTENT

¹⁶ Your eyes have seen
my formless substance;
And in Your book were written
All the days that were ordained *for me*,
When, as yet there was not one of them.

GOD THE OMNIPOTENT

¹⁷ How precious also
are Your thoughts for me, God!
How vast is the sum of them!

¹⁸ Were I to count them,
they would outnumber the sand.
When I awake, I am still with You.

GOD THE OMNIBENEVOLENT

¹⁹ If only You would put the wicked to death, God;
Leave me, you men of bloodshed.

²⁰ For they speak against You wickedly,
And Your enemies take *Your name* in vain.

GOD THE OMNIBENEVOLENT

²¹ Do I not hate those who hate You, LORD?
And do I not loathe those who rise up against
You?

²² I hate them with the utmost hatred;
They have become my enemies.

GOD THE OMNIBENEVOLENT

²³ Search me, God, and know my heart;
Put me to the test and know my anxious
thoughts;

²⁴ And see if there is *any* hurtful way in me,
And lead me in the everlasting way.

Reflection on Psalm 139

David's revelation on how God sees him.

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It's all about how God views David and not the other way.

Reflection on Psalm 139

David's revelation on how God sees him.
David's revelation on how awesome God is

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I cannot hide from you because you see everything

Reflection on Psalm 139

David's revelation on how God sees him.
David's revelation on how awesome God is
His revelation of the creative potential in him

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I am fearfully and wonderfully made.

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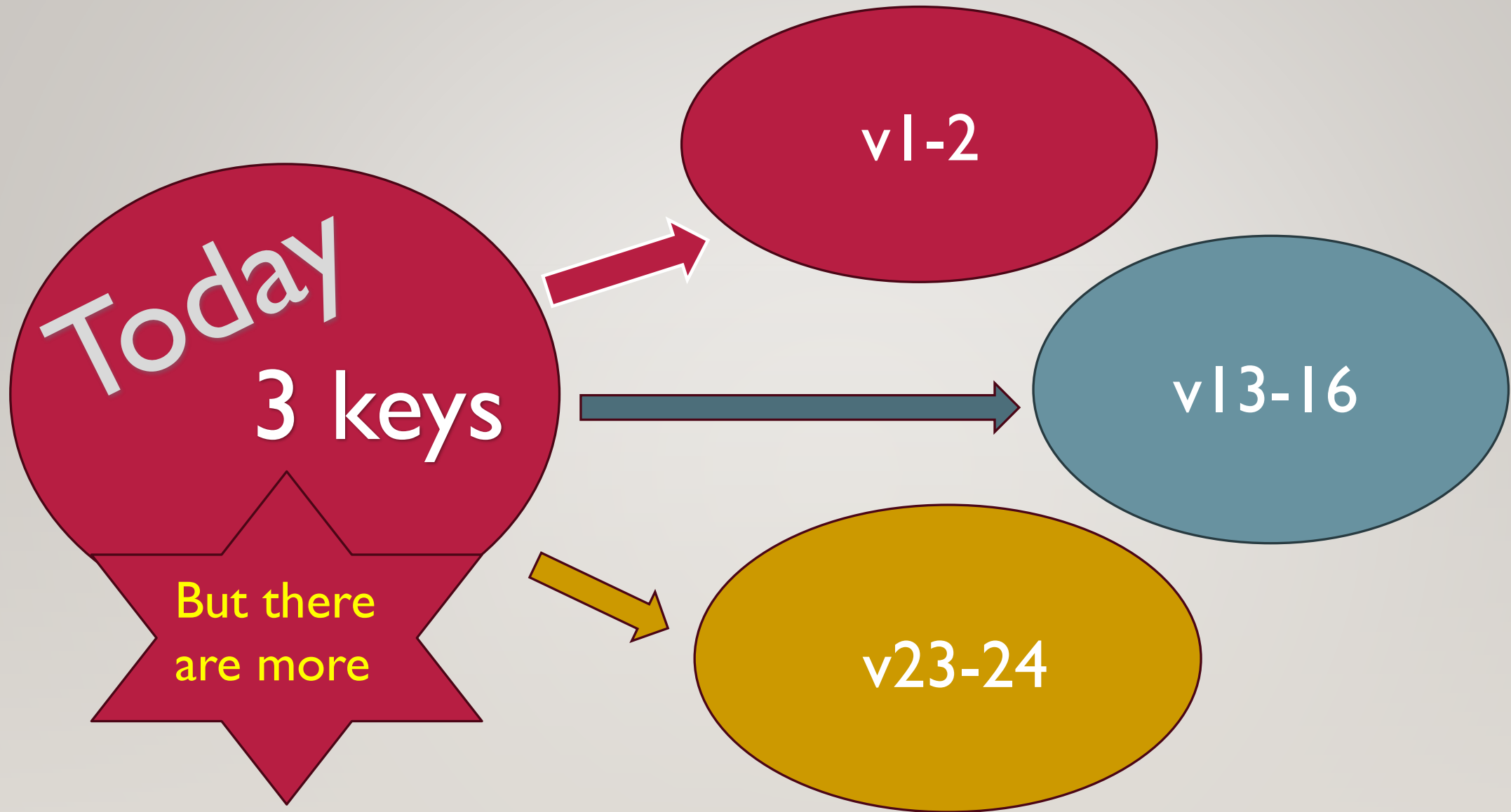
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David's revelation on how awesome God is
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David says, "I give up, I am yours"

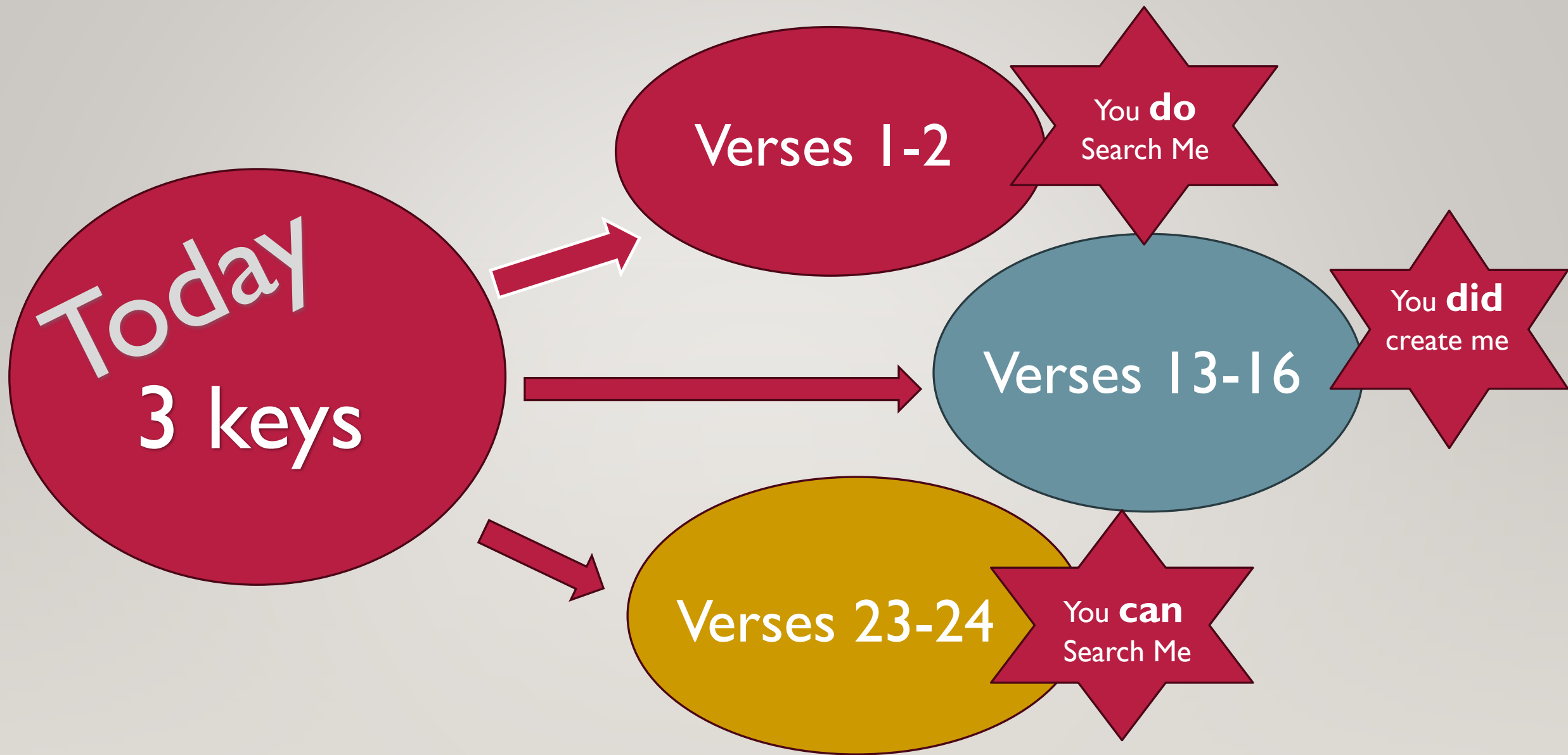
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I give up, I am yours

“Search me God and know my heart.”





Critical Keys v1-2

Search Me
and Know
Me
You know,
when I sit
down,
Understand
my thoughts

“God, knows the depths of my mind
and sees my innermost musings.
He calls out my thoughts before I
know them
and is familiar with all my ways.”

Do you know that
God....
knows you & yet
still searches for
you?



Critical Keys v1-2

Do you know
that God....

knows you &

and yet still

searches for

you?

Knowledge

But more.....

He is searching you also

Critical Keys v1-2

Do you know
that God....

knows you &
and yet still
searches for
you?

Knowledge
Potential
Destiny
Future
Eternity

Example: DR Playing Rugby in U20 Petone

Critical Keys v13-16

Created by God
For this time & and season
Body, Soul & Spirit
One-off make and model
You are no accident of birth
Unique with great potential

I praise you,

*for I am fearfully
and wonderfully made.*

Wonderful are
your works;
my soul knows
it very well.

-Psalm 139:14



Critical Keys v13-16

No one else like you.
Unique DNA, fingerprint
Events still to happen
Potential to fulfil
Your best days are to come
You have a future because I
am made in His image

I praise you,
*for I am fearfully
and wonderfully made.*

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David gives in

²³ Search me, God, and know my heart;
Test me and know my anxious thoughts.

²⁴ See if there is any offensive way in me,
and lead me in the way everlasting.

SEARCH ME

O GOD, AND KNOW MY HEART

TEST ME

AND KNOW MY ANXIOUS THOUGHTS

POINT OUT

ANYTHING IN ME THAT OFFENDS YOU

AND LEAD ME

ALONG THE PATH OF EVERLASTING LIFE

PSALM 139 V23-24



4 Action Points

Is it your time to

Renouncing sins unpardoned
Seek His forgiveness
Reaffirmation to follow Him



Ministry Time

1. Reaffirm your calling
2. Reconnect back
3. Renounce unpardoned sin





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Psalm 139 v1 - 24

Let's stand



MercyMe

Psalm 139 (You are there)

Lyrics

YouTube Link: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=eH5YmQSnE4k>