

<u>Audacious Prayers – "Search Me"</u> Psalm 139

- Daniel 3:16-18
- 1 Samuel 17:45-46

Is what I am living for worth laying down my life for?

If you've ever felt bored or stagnant spiritually, could it be that you're playing it too safe?

"...there is no pressure, no right way, other than being open and honest with God. Jesus repeatedly railed against the pharisees for praying long, loud, fancy prayers that lack authenticity."

– Pastor and Author Craig Groeshel

- Matthew 6:5, 7
- The prayers that move God are simple, authentic, and heartfelt.
- But simple is NOT the same as safe.

"Search me, O God, and know my heart; test and know my anxious thoughts. See if there is any offensive way in me and lead me in the way everlasting." Psalm 139: 23-24

• "The unexamined life is not worth living." -Socrates



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- I. "Search me, O God, and know my heart..."
 - Psalm 139:13-15
 - Psalm 139:1-3, 6-7
- II. "Reveal my anxious thoughts..."
 - What we fear the most reveals where we trust God the least!
- III. "See if there is any offensive way in me..."
 - Jeremiah 17:9-10
 - I wonder if the most common lie is to ourself!

While our sin does not alter God's love for us, it does impact our intimacy with him.

IV. "Lead me in the way everlasting."