# "The Preciousness of Life"

God's Great & Precious Promises • pt. 15 Dsalm 139

#### Introduction

"Human life—one's own and that of others—belongs to God. It is His loan and blessing....Therefore respect is due to it, and with respect, protection against each and every callous negation and destruction."

— Karl Barth

- in the news: violations of the sanctity of life...
  - abortion
  - infanticide
  - stem-cell research
  - human cloning

## *1. God's Omniscience* (139:1-6)

"God...knows everything; everything possible, everything actual; all events, all creatures, of the past, the present, and the future. He is perfectly acquainted with every detail in the life of every being in heaven, in earth, and in hell...Nothing escapes his notice, nothing can be hidden from him, nothing is forgotten by him...He never errs, never changes, never overlooks anything."

- Arthur W. Pink

• evoked responses

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#### *2. God's Omnipresence* (139:7-12)

- no matter where you go...
- no matter how dark it is...

## *3. God's Omnipotence* (139:13-18)

"God's omniscience, which in the previous section has been attributed to his omnipresence, is now attributed to His omnipotence. God can search man out not only because he sees him, but because he made him."

— John Stott

- fearfully & wonderfully made...
- perfectly made...

### 4. David's response (139:19-24)

- a. 'Separate me'
- b. 'Search me'