

# Psalms 139:1

by Chuck Smith

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*God's presence is all-encompassing and constant, and recognizing this truth can bring comfort, guidance, and strength to our lives.*

**Scripture:** Psalm 46:1, Psalm 139:1-4, Psalm 139:7-10, Proverbs 3:5-6, Isaiah 41:10, Jeremiah 23:24, Matthew 28:20, John 14:16-17, Romans 8:38-39, Hebrews 13:5

**Topics:** "God's Omnipresence", "Awareness of God's Presence"

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## Description

Chuck Smith emphasizes the omnipresence of God, illustrating that He is present in every corner of the universe and in our personal lives. He discusses how we often forget God's presence due to distractions and busy lives, leading to fear and discouragement. Smith reassures that God's hand is upon us, guiding and comforting us through life's challenges. The awareness of God's presence encourages us to live in a way that honors Him and fosters a deeper relationship with Him. Ultimately, recognizing that 'God is Here' transforms our perspective and actions.

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## Transcript

"THE PRESENCE OF GOD"

Intro: It is important that we come to the awareness of God's all pervading presence. King

Ben-hadad. We are prone to think of the church as the place we meet God.

I. HIS PRESENCE IN THE UNIVERSE.

A. "If I ascend into heaven, thou art there."

1. Russian Cosmonaut.

2. Our own Astronauts in moon orbit.

B. "If I make my bed in hell, thou art there."

C. "Take wings of morning, and dwell in uttermost parts of the sea even there."

1. Some try to run from God - folly.

a. Experience in Redwood forest.

b. Ventura Co. Jail (Williams)

## II. HIS PRESENCE IN OUR LIVES.

A. "Thou hast beset me behind."

1. Look back on your life, events, chance meetings God was there.

B. Even as God's hand in our past also in future "Before."

1. I cannot arrive at any place but what God has preceeded me there.

a. He knows the circumstances I will face.

b. He knows my reactions to the circumstances.

c. He has prepared the way for me and is now preparing me for the way.

2. This gives me great comfort.

a. I don't know what the future holds.

C. "Thy hand is upon me."

1. The hand of the Lord is upon your life.

a. To strengthen in hour of weakness.

b. To comfort in hour of sorrow.

c. Guide in hour of confusion.

d. To hea I in hour of sickness.

## III. THE IMPORTANCE OF THIS AWARENESS OF HIS PRESENCE.

A. One of our greatest problems we tend to forget His presence - this forgetfulness.

1. Caused by:

a. Other interests (self..

b. Busy schedules.

c. Lack of communication.

2. Results in:

a. Fear.

b. Discouragement.

c. Worldliness.

B. By realizing His constant, continual presence.

1. I will be more concerned to live the kind of life He wants.

2. To not offend Him in any way.

3. May our continual consciousness be "God is Here."

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