

GOD IS OMNISCIENT

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Omniscient: *knowing everything, past, present and future.*

	How is God's OMNISCIENCE shown in these Scriptures?	Observations, Questions, Synonyms, Other Attributes	What difference does God's OMNISCIENCE make in my life?
<p>1 Samuel 16:1-13</p> <p>The LORD said to Samuel, "How long will you mourn for Saul, since I have rejected him as king over Israel? Fill your horn with oil and be on your way; I am sending you to Jesse of Bethlehem. I have chosen one of his sons to be king." ² But Samuel said, "How can I go? If Saul hears about it, he will kill me." The LORD said, "Take a heifer with you and say, 'I have come to sacrifice to the LORD.' ³ Invite Jesse to the sacrifice, and I will show you what to do. You are to anoint for me the one I indicate."</p> <p>⁴ Samuel did what the LORD said. When he arrived at Bethlehem, the elders of the town trembled when they met him. They asked, "Do you come in peace?" ⁵ Samuel replied, "Yes, in peace; I have come to sacrifice to the LORD. Consecrate yourselves and come to the sacrifice with me." Then he consecrated Jesse and his sons and invited them to the sacrifice.</p> <p>⁶ When they arrived, Samuel saw Eliab and thought, "Surely the LORD's anointed stands here before the LORD." ⁷ But the LORD said to Samuel, "Do not consider his appearance or his height, for I have rejected him. The LORD does not look at the things people look at. People look at the outward appearance, but the LORD looks at the heart."</p> <p><i>Continued</i></p>			

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<p>1 Samuel 16:1-13 – continued</p> <p>⁸ Then Jesse called Abinadab and had him pass in front of Samuel. But Samuel said, "The LORD has not chosen this one either." ⁹ Jesse then had Shammah pass by, but Samuel said, "Nor has the LORD chosen this one." ¹⁰ Jesse had seven of his sons pass before Samuel, but Samuel said to him, "The LORD has not chosen these." ¹¹ So he asked Jesse, "Are these all the sons you have?" "There is still the youngest," Jesse answered. "He is tending the sheep." Samuel said, "Send for him; we will not sit down until he arrives." ¹² So he sent for him and had him brought in. He was glowing with health and had a fine appearance and handsome features. Then the LORD said, "Rise and anoint him; this is the one." ¹³ So Samuel took the horn of oil and anointed him in the presence of his brothers, and from that day on the Spirit of the LORD came powerfully upon David. Samuel then went to Ramah.</p>			

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<p>Psalm 139:1-6, 23-24</p> <p>You have searched me, LORD, and you know me.</p> <p>²You know when I sit and when I rise; you perceive my thoughts from afar.</p> <p>³You discern my going out and my lying down; you are familiar with all my ways.</p> <p>⁴Before a word is on my tongue you, LORD, know it completely.</p> <p>⁵You hem me in behind and before, and you lay your hand upon me.</p> <p>⁶Such knowledge is too wonderful for me, too lofty for me to attain. Search me, God, and know my heart; test me and know my anxious thoughts.</p> <p>²⁴See if there is any offensive way in me, and lead me in the way everlasting.</p>			

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<p>John 1:43-50</p> <p>The next day Jesus decided to leave for Galilee. Finding Philip, he said to him, "Follow me." ⁴⁴ Philip, like Andrew and Peter, was from the town of Bethsaida. ⁴⁵ Philip found Nathanael and told him, "We have found the one Moses wrote about in the Law, and about whom the prophets also wrote—Jesus of Nazareth, the son of Joseph." ⁴⁶ "Nazareth! Can anything good come from there?" Nathanael asked. "Come and see," said Philip. ⁴⁷ When Jesus saw Nathanael approaching, he said of him, "Here truly is an Israelite in whom there is no deceit." ⁴⁸ "How do you know me?" Nathanael asked. Jesus answered, "I saw you while you were still under the fig tree before Philip called you." ⁴⁹ Then Nathanael declared, "Rabbi, you are the Son of God; you are the king of Israel." ⁵⁰ Jesus said, "You believe^[a] because I told you I saw you under the fig tree. You will see greater things than that."</p> <p><i>a. John 1:50 - Or Do you believe ... ?</i></p>			

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<p>Hebrews 4:12-16</p> <p>For the word of God is alive and active. Sharper than any double-edged sword, it penetrates even to dividing soul and spirit, joints and marrow; it judges the thoughts and attitudes of the heart.</p> <p>¹³ Nothing in all creation is hidden from God's sight. Everything is uncovered and laid bare before the eyes of him to whom we must give account. ¹⁴ Therefore, since we have a great high priest who has ascended into heaven, Jesus the Son of God, let us hold firmly to the faith we profess. ¹⁵ For we do not have a high priest who is unable to empathize with our weaknesses, but we have one who has been tempted in every way, just as we are—yet he did not sin. ¹⁶ Let us then approach God's throne of grace with confidence, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help us in our time of need.</p>			
<p>What other scriptures come to mind?</p>			

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Reflections

Jeremiah 29:11

John 4:15-24

How does the fact that God knows everything comfort me? Or does it?

I don't always understand God's ways. How does God's omniscience affect the way I view His actions?

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Lecture Notes

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Prayer Requests
