

# PRAYING IN FIVE DIMENSIONS

PBC - 40 Days of Prayer – Part 4 – Psalm 139:7-12

## 1. GOD IS A MULTIDIMENSIONAL GOD

### - WE SEE IT IN GOD'S CREATION

*“Since the creation of the world God's invisible qualities--his eternal power and divine nature--have been clearly seen (in) what has been made, so that men are without excuse.”* Romans 1:20

*“Can you fathom the limits and bounds of the greatness and power of God? The sky is no limit for God, but it lies beyond your reach! God knows the world of the dead, but you do not know it. God's greatness is broader than the earth, and wider than the sea.”* Job 11:7-9 (TEV)

### - WE SEE IT IN JESUS' INCARNATION

*“The Word became a human being and lived among us! We saw his glory...and he was full of grace and truth!”* John 1:14 (NCV)

*“Jesus Christ is the same yesterday and today and forever.”* Heb 13:8

*“Grace & peace to you from Him who is, and who was, and who is to come.”* Revelation 1:4

### - WE SEE IT IN HOW THE HOLY SPIRIT MOVES

*The wind blows wherever it pleases. You hear its sound, but you cannot tell where it comes from or where it is going. So it is with everyone born of the Spirit.”* John 3:8 see also Job 9:10-11

## 2. AS GOD IS MULTIDIMENSIONAL I'M NEVER ALONE

*Where can I go from your Spirit? Where can I flee from your presence? If I go up to the heavens, you are there; if I make my bed in the depths, you are there. If I rise on the wings of the dawn, if I settle on the far side of the sea, even there your hand will guide me, your right hand will hold me fast. If I say, “Surely the darkness will hide me and the light become night around me,” even the darkness will not be*

*dark to you; the night will shine like the day, for darkness is as light to you.* Psalm 139:7-12

## HOW TO PRAY IN FIVE DIMENSIONS: AS I PRAY...

### 1. I LOOK BACKWARD TO THE CROSS

*“God paid a ransom to save you from the empty life... He paid for you with the precious lifeblood of Christ, the sinless, spotless Lamb of God.”* 1 Peter 1:18-19 (NLT)

### THE CROSS REMINDS ME HOW ...

deeply God loves me / costly evil & sin is / completely I'm forgiven

### 2. I LOOK UPWARD TO MY FATHER'S LOVING FACE

*The Spirit you received does not make you slaves, so that you live in fear again; rather, the Spirit you received brought about your adoption to sonship. And by him we cry, “Abba Father.” The Spirit himself testifies with our spirit that we are God's children. Now if we are children, then we are heirs—heirs of God and co-heirs with Christ, if indeed we share in his sufferings in order that we may also share in his glory.”* Romans 8:15-17

### GOD WANTS MY PRAYERS TO BE ...

- *Abba! Daddy!* PERSONAL
- *Cry Out!* PASSIONATE
- *By His Spirit* PARTNERSHIP

### 3. I LOOK INWARD TO JESUS LIVING INSIDE ME

*“Examine yourself to see if your faith is real and growing. Test yourself. Remember that Jesus is living in you – unless you've failed your test.”* 2 Cor 13:5 see also Gal 5:22-23 (the Fruit of the Spirit)

### 4. I LOOK AROUND & ASK THE HOLY SPIRIT TO USE ME

*“...offer yourselves to God as those who have been brought from death to life; and offer every part of yourself to him as an instrument of righteousness.”* Romans 6:13 see also Rom 12:1-2

### 5. I LOOK FORWARD IN FAITH TO THE FUTURE

*“I am confident of this, that God who began a good work in you will continue to complete it until it is finished on the day of Christ Jesus.”* Philippians 1:6