1 Chronicles 28:9

*“And you Solomon, my son:****know****the God of your father and****serve****Him with your whole heart and a willing soul.  For YHWH* ***searches****every heart and every plan and****understands****every thought.  If you****seek****Him, then He will be found, but if you****forsake****Him, then He will cast you off forever.”*

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***Our highest good is a relational pursuit of God.***

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**Warmth.**

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*“And you Solomon, my son: know the God of your father…”*

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**Worship.**

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*“…and serve Him with your whole heart and a willing soul.”*

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Genesis 2:15 *“The Lord God took the man and put him in the garden of Eden to work it and keep it.”*

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**God searches.**

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*“For YHWH searches every heart and every plan…”*

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Proverbs 16:9 *“The heart of man plans his way, but the Lord establishes his steps.”*

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James 4:13-16

*“Come now, you who say, ‘Today or tomorrow we will go into such and such a town and spend a year there and trade and make a profit’—yet you do not know what tomorrow will bring.*

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*What is your life? For you are a mist that appears for a little time and then vanishes.**Instead you ought to say, ‘If the Lord wills, we will live and do this or that.’**As it is, you boast in your arrogance. All such boasting is evil.”*

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**God understands.**

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*“…understands every thought.”*

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Proverbs 28:7

*“The one who keeps the law is a son with understanding, but a companion of gluttons shames his father.”*

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**Word.**

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*“If you seek Him, then He will be found…”*

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Matthew 7:7-8

*“Ask, and it will be given to you; seek, and you will find; knock, and it will be opened to you.**For everyone who asks receives, and the one who seeks finds, and to the one who knocks it will be opened.”*

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Matthew 7:9-11

*“Or which one of you, if his son asks him for bread, will give him a stone?**Or if he asks for a fish, will give him a serpent?**If you then, who are evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will your Father who is in heaven give good things to those who ask him!”*

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**Warning.**

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*“…but if you forsake Him, then He will cast you off forever.”*

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Matthew 22:37

*“And he said to him, ‘You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind.’”*