Dangerous Prayers #1 -- Psalm 139 LifeGroup Questions

- 1. As a mother...or the son or daughter of a mother...what do you think is the greatest difficulty that a mother faces? What is her greatest joy?
- 2. How do you describe to someone who is not a follower of Christ, what a "personal relationship with God" is all about?
- 3. What are some examples of yada (deep knowing intimacy) that you have experienced with people? How about an example of yada that you have experienced with God?
- 4. David begins his prayer by expressing all the things that God knows about him. What description of God's knowledge in vs 1-6 (or the whole Psalm) is most important to you? Why?
- 5. In Psalm 139:7-12, David's prayer is all about God's presence, His nearness. No matter where we go He's there. He pursues us. In Psalm 23, David says something similar... "His goodness and mercy pursues us..." What does this tell us about God? How does it shape our personal relationship with Him?
- 6. While "do not fear" is one of the Bible's most common command. The most common promise in the Bible is "I will be with you." What are some of the other places where this promise is given? How does this promise/truth shape your life?
- 7. In Psalm 139:13-18, David's prayer is one of worship & gratitude, but it also gives us insight into the deep value God places on people. From the womb to the tomb, the people God has created matter to God. How should this truth shape our relationships, speech, politics, etc.?
- 8. The last part of David's prayer is his response to God. Search me. Test me. Lead me. Which of those three requests are the hardest for you to pray?

9. How is God calling you to lean into this prayer?