

# Prayer Search Me

## TALK IT OVER

### Key Scriptures

*Search me, O God, and know my heart; test me and know my anxious thoughts. Point out anything in me that offends you, and lead me along the path of everlasting life.*

Psalms 139:23-24 NLT

*The human heart is the most deceitful of all things, and desperately wicked. Who really knows how bad it is?*

Jeremiah 17:9 NLT

*These people honor me with their lips, but their hearts are far from me.*

Matthew 15:8 NLT

*... "My grace is all you need. My power works best in weakness."*

2 Corinthians 12:9

*Hypocrite! First get rid of the log in your own eye; then you will see well enough to deal with the speck in your friend's eye.*

Matthew 7:5 NLT

*In their blind conceit, they cannot see how wicked they really are. Everything they say is crooked and deceitful. They refuse to act wisely or do good.*

Psalms 36:2-3 NLT

### Key Points

- **Search my heart**
- **Know my anxious thoughts**
- **See if there's any offensive way in me**
- **Lead me**

### //Search Me

David was willing to open his heart for God to examine.

Read *Psalms 139:23-24*.

- What do you fear most about allowing God to examine your heart?

### //Know My Heart

- Why do we hide the wickedness of our hearts?

### //Know my anxious thoughts

- Can you describe what being "driven" by fear looks like in your life? How does being "led" by faith look different?

### //Reveal My Sin

- How do you react when someone you trust challenges you about a problem area of your life? Defensiveness? Denial? Shame?

### //Lead Me

- Why is giving up control of your life to God so hard to do? Why is it scary?

### Prayer Guide for this week

#### 1. Search my heart

Pray: *God, search my heart. Reveal anything that I am hiding or that I don't even realize about myself that you want to change or control.*

#### 2. Know my anxious thoughts

Pray: *God, reveal to me what I fear the most and give me the strength and faith to put my trust in you to handle that part of my life.*

#### 3. See if there's any offensive way in me

Pray: *God reveal any offensive way in me. Help me not to be defensive, but give me the humility to be honest about my sin.*

#### 4. Lead me

Pray: *Help me to follow you and seek your will for my life. Lead me to make whatever changes I need to make.*