

"KNOWN"

Silence, stillness, and centering before God (2-5 minutes)



SCRIPTURE / JOB 39:1-2 & MATTHEW 10:29-31

1 "Do you know when the mountain goats give birth? Do you watch when the doe bears her fawn? **2** Do you count the months till they bear? Do you know the time they give birth? **Job 39:1-2**

29 Are not two sparrows sold for a penny? Yet not one of them will fall to the ground outside your Father's care. **30** And even the very hairs of your head are all numbered. **31** So don't be afraid; you are worth more than many sparrows. **Matthew 10:29-31**



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God reminds Job of the countless things that He knows intimately in which Job may not even have given a second thought. In Matthew, we are reminded of our value in the Lord when we realize that things we may attribute to having "less value" are still immensely cared for by God.

I think we all battle with feeling insignificant from time to time; all of us struggle with feeling under-valued, unloved, and not being known by others or God. However, when we look around us at the vastness and the beauty of nature, the intricacy of creation and reflect on the truth that this is all known by the very one who set it all in motion, we can rest assured that our Creator knows us intimately as well. God sees you and knows you and loves you deeply. He knows everything about you - the things you celebrate and even the things you may try to hide - and He still calls you His child. He has seen your greatest success and has been with you in times you've wanted to give up; He knows your every thought - good and bad - and He absolutely adores you.

We may look out into a crowd and see nameless faces - each with their own story - and feel like we don't matter. However, each of us are known intimately by our Heavenly Father; and not only that, but we are also valued by Him! So, no matter

what is happening in your life - whether it is big or small - God knows about it and cares about you. Nothing and no one is too insignificant for our loving Creator.



REFLECT

Think deeply, process, and talk to the Lord (2-5 minutes)

- Is there anything in life you haven't brought before the Lord because you think it's "too small" or He "doesn't care"? Remind yourself of the truth that He does care and bring it to Him now.
- Take a moment to truly praise God and His vastness. There are almost 8 billion people in this world, yet He still knows you intimately. Sit in that beautiful truth.