

If I Dwell In The Morning

(Psalm 139)

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Some songs just write themselves, for better or worse! This started off as a short chord progression (basically the second line) which was too nice not to use and an open bible on the piano. It was finished a scant two hours later, and was an instant hit at the church I attended at the time, much to my amazement (normally, if a song is finished that quickly it gets forgotten even faster...) An SATB choir/ensemble arrangement is included.

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Key Eb, 4/4
♩ = 80

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With quiet strength

The musical score is written in treble clef with a key signature of three flats (Eb) and a 4/4 time signature. It consists of six systems of music, each with a vocal line and a piano accompaniment line. The piano accompaniment includes a variety of chords such as Eb, Cm7/F, Fm7, Bb7, Ab/Eb, Eb, Cm7, Bbm7, A7b5, Abmaj7, Fm7, Eb/G, Ab, Abmaj7/Bb, Bb7, Eb, Cm7/F, Fm7, Bb7, Ab/Eb, Eb, Cm7, Bbm7, A7b5, Abmaj7, Fm7, Eb/G, Ab, Abmaj7/Bb, Bb7, and Abmaj7. The lyrics are written below the vocal line, with some words hyphenated across lines. The tempo is marked as quarter note = 80.

Oh Lord, You have searched me, You have searched me and
Oh Lord, You have made me, put Your life with -

known me. You per-ceive my thoughts from far a - way; You know all my
in me. In the se - cret place You spoke my name; You know all a -

ways, You know the ve - ry thoughts I'm keep - ing.
bout me, know my days from the be - ginn - ing.

Oh Lord, You are with me, laid Your hand up -
Oh Lord, please search me, test the thoughts I'm

on - me. You are with me ev - 'ry - where I
keep - ing. See if there is an - y wrong in

go; such know - ledge is too great for me to un - der - stand it.
me; lead me in Your ways, that I might have life ev - er - last - ing.

E \flat E \flat maj7/D Cm7 Cm7/B \flat A \flat A \flat maj7/G

With feeling If I dwell in the mor - ning far a - way; make my bed in the

Fm7 B \flat sus7 B \flat 7 E \flat E \flat 7/D \flat A \flat /C A \flat

deep - est pla - ces, ev - en there Your hand will guide my

Fm7 B \flat sus7 B \flat 7 E \flat E \flat maj7/D Cm7 Cm7/B \flat

way. _____ If I go to the heav - ens You are

A \flat A \flat maj7/G Fm7 B \flat sus7 B \flat 7 E \flat E \flat 7/D \flat

there; if I dwell in the night You're with me still; so I praise You

A \flat /C 1 A \flat Fm7 B \flat sus7 B \flat 7

for Your love to me. _____

A \flat /C 2 Fm7/B \flat B \flat 7 E \flat

rit. for Your love to me. _____

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Oh Lord, You have made me, put Your life with -

A♭/E♭ E♭ Cm7 B♭m7 A7♭5

known me. You per - ceive my thoughts from far a -
in me. In the se - cret place You spoke my

A♭maj7 Fm7 E♭/G A♭

way; You know all my ways, You know the ve - ry thoughts I'm
name; You know all a - bout me, know my days from the be -

A♭maj7/B♭ B♭7 E♭ *Descant (upper)* *Melody (lower)* Cm7/F Fm7

keep - ing. Oh Lord, You are with me,
ginn - ing. Oh Lord, please search me,

B♭7 A♭/E♭ E♭ Cm7 B♭m7 A7♭5

laid Your hand up - on me. You are with me ev - 'ry - where I
test the thoughts I'm keep - ing. See if there is an - y wrong in

A \flat maj7
Fm7
E \flat /G
A \flat
A \flat maj7/B \flat
B \flat 7

go; such know - ledge is too great for me to un - der - stand it.
 me; lead me in Your ways, that I might have life ev - er - last - ing.

E \flat
E \flat maj7/D
Cm7
Cm7/B \flat
A \flat
A \flat maj7/G

If I dwell in the mor - ning far a - way; make my bed in the

Fm7
B \flat sus7 B \flat 7
E \flat
E \flat 7/D \flat
A \flat /C
A \flat

deep - est pla - ces, ev - en there Your hand will guide my

Fm7 B \flat sus7 B \flat 7 E \flat E \flat maj7/D Cm7 Cm7/B \flat

way. If I go to the heav - ens You are

A \flat A \flat maj7/G Fm7 B \flat sus7B \flat 7 E \flat E \flat 7/D \flat

there; if I dwell in the night You're with me still; so I praise You

A \flat /C 1 A \flat Fm7 B \flat sus7 B \flat 7 A \flat /C 2 Fm7/B \flat B \flat 7 E \flat

for Your love to me. for Your love to me. *rit.*

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Oh Lord, You have searched me,
You have searched me and known me.
You perceive my thoughts from far away;
You know all about me,
Know the very thoughts I'm keeping.
Oh Lord, You are with me,
Laid Your hand upon me.
You are with me everywhere I go;
Such knowledge is too great
For me to understand it.

If I dwell in the morning far away;
Make my bed in the deepest places,
Even there Your hand will guide my way.
If I go to the heavens, You are there;
If I dwell in the night You're with me still;
So I praise You for Your love to me.

(If I Dwell In The Morning cont.)

**Oh Lord, You have made me,
Put Your life within me.
In the secret place You spoke my name;
You know all about me,
Know my days from the beginning.
Oh Lord please search me,
Test the thoughts I'm keeping.
See if there is any wrong in me;
Lead me in Your ways, that I might
Have life everlasting.**

**If I dwell in the morning far away;
Make my bed in the deepest places,
Even there Your hand will guide my way.
If I go to the heavens, You are there;
If I dwell in the night You're with me still;
So I praise You for Your love to me.**