# Suggested Answers for Leaders

### Observation — What does it say?

1. (a) God knows when David sits down and rises up, understands his thoughts from afar, observes his travels and resting, and knows his words before he speaks them. That degree of personal knowledge overwhelms David (positively, as we shall see later).

(b) Heaven, Sheol, the remotest part of the sea, and the farthest reaches of the earth. David recognizes that God's presence extends to every place — and he finds this to be very comforting.

( c) God formed David's inward parts, knit him together in his mother's womb, saw his unformed substance, and ordained his days before they came to pass.

(d) God's thoughts are precious and exceedingly numerous. David compares their number to the sand and recognizes that God is continually mindful of him.

2. They are God's enemies, and therefore they become David's enemies.

3. That they depart from him.

### Interpretation — What does it mean?

4. God is not distant, indifferent, or inattentive. His knowledge of His people is personal and continual. David marvels that the infinite God gives such attention to him.

5. Because the God who knows everything about David is also the only One who can expose hidden sin and lead him in the right way. David wants his own heart examined, not merely the wickedness of others condemned. David appears to be concluding that his own personal opposition to God's enemies is righteous.

### Application — What do I do with this?

6. *Individual answers*

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