

SEPTEMBER 12

**“THE PLACES YOU WOULD NEVER
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READ

Psalms 103:10-14, Jeremiah 23:23-24

God has not dealt with us according to our sins. There are people who think they are still being punished for things they did before they came to Christ. Some may even think, “I was a Christian when I did that — oh, what a fool I was! I’ll pay for this the rest of my life.” There are consequences for our sins, but God’s not punishing you for your past. He doesn’t deal with us after our sins. He doesn’t reward us according to our iniquities. If He did, none of us would be here today. Genesis tells us that one day God came walking through the garden and said, “Adam, where are you?” But God knew exactly where Adam was. You can’t hide from God. You can’t hide behind sin or religion to escape God. God wasn’t trying to find out where Adam was — He wanted Adam to find Him. Many are looking for a secret place to hide, too. As God drills deeper into your soul, He opens your understanding of yourself. The secret places you would never expect to find God are the places where you meet Him most intimately.

PRAY

Jesus, every good and perfect gift comes from You. This day is a gift. Thank You for calling my name, and meeting me in the secret place.

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