

IN THE WORLD



John 17:9-19

LESSON 13
November 24, 2024

Connect timeless truths with today's news.

RESTING PLACE IN THE DEPTHS

Last month, after more than one hundred years on the ocean floor, a famous sunken ship became “accessible” to explorers. Sir Ernest Shackleton’s ship, *Endurance*, sank in 1915 in the icy waters of the Weddell Sea near Antarctica. The ship was stuck in pack ice and sank, though all hands survived. The wreck was discovered in 2022, and over twenty-five thousand high-resolution photos were taken. Those images have been used to create a detailed 3D model of the wreck, just as it rests on the ocean floor. The model was made to accompany the National Geographic documentary *Endurance*, which can be seen on the Disney+ streaming service.

BED IN THE DEPTHS

In Psalm 139, David asked where he could go from God’s Spirit. He rejoiced that the Lord hemmed him in, knew his sitting and standing, witnessed his coming and going, and was always there—in whatever place he might go. Whether he flew to the highest heavens or made his bed in the lowest depths of the sea, the Lord’s hand would hold fast.

1. What shipwreck do you find most fascinating?
2. Where have you been where you became grateful God could be there with you?
3. How does the knowledge of God’s consistent presence affect your prayer life?

Additional Resources

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[Contemporary Worship Weekly](#)

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[Article: Ken Mbugua, “How to Give Thanks When You’re Far from Home”](#)

[Bruce K. Waltke, Commentary on Psalm 139](#)

[Theology of Work Bible Commentary, “The Work of Marriage, Raising Children, and Caring for Parents \(Psalm 127; 128; 139\)”](#)

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