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WEEKLY MINISTRY MEDITATIONS

Pronounced "Soul"

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Why Did I Do That?

HEBREWS 4:12 NKJV – (12) For the word of God *is* living and powerful, and sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing even to the division of soul and spirit, and of joints and marrow, and is a discerner of the thoughts and intents of the heart.

As the Exalted One seated at God's right hand, Jesus has passed through the heavens to occupy a place of honor and glory. That status inspires us in moments of discouragement to hold on to our confession, our hope, and our confidence in God and Jesus. We have an advocate in God's court.

Yet there is more. Though Jesus occupies this exalted status, he understands our frailty and suffering from the inside. The writer of Hebrews expresses that truth by means of a verbally powerful double negative: "We do not have a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses". The author thus emphasizes the radical identification of Jesus with us, as he has "become like his brothers and sisters in every respect, even in every form of testing. Whatever trial faces us, Jesus has faced that test as well. Therefore he is now - able to help those who are being tested".

I have often asked myself, "*What was I thinking? Why did I do that?*" Thank God for not only knowing all, but for guiding us back, according to His righteous word. He is a true discerner and knows all intents of man. There is no need to go on a guilty spree. Just repent!

SCRIPTURE READING

1 THESSALONIANS 5:23

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

When it comes to hide and go seek with God, it's a no winning contest. Why? How can you hide from One who knew before we existed?