

Doug Bender

Opener



Watch: the Doug Bender film.

Question: What did you like or identify with in Doug's story?
What did you not like or find confusing about Doug's story?
What did you learn about people or God from Doug's story?

Hear the Bible *Read this yourself or with a group*

You have searched me, Lord, and you know me.

You know when I sit and when I rise;
you perceive my thoughts from afar.

You discern my going out and my lying
down; you are familiar with all my ways.

Before a word is on my tongue you, Lord,
know it completely.

You hem me in behind and before, and you
lay your hand upon me.

Such knowledge is too wonderful for me,
too lofty for me to attain.

Where can I go from your Spirit? Where
can I flee from your presence?

If I go up to the heavens, you are there; if I
make my bed in the depths, you are there.

If I rise on the wings of the dawn, if I settle
on the far side of the sea, even there your
hand will guide me, your right hand will
hold me fast.

If I say, "Surely the darkness will hide me
and the light become night around me,"
even the darkness will not be dark to you;
the night will shine like the day, for dark-
ness is as light to you.

For you created my inmost being; you knit
me together in my mother's womb.

I praise you because I am fearfully
and wonderfully made; your works are
wonderful,

I know that full well.

Psalm 139:1-14 (NIV)

Talk about the Bible

What it says

1. What did you like about this Bible story?
2. What did you not like or find confusing about this story?

What it means

3. What does this story teach about people?
4. What does this story teach about God?

Live and Tell

5. How, specifically, are you going to live out today's discussion?
6. Who will you tell? With whom will you have a spiritual conversation about today's story?

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