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Dear Shrubs,

A reflection at 4:23am on Psalms 94:

"People are blindly wicked because they dream of a blind God!"

Spurgeon

I can relate with David, in verse 19 he says he was suffering anxiety or a "*multitude of anxious thoughts*" when he looked at the

## **PRIDE, WICKEDNESS, ARROGANT WORDS AND OPPRESSIVENESS OF THE WORLD HE LIVED IN!**

*David concluded that this worldly world 'evolved' because **man** concluded that ...*

***"The Lord does NOT see and the God of Jacob pays NO attention."***

*Nothing has changed. We live in age where the Internet, TV, bestsellers, education and movies influence our ideas of God more than Scripture. Even among God's people we see that bumper stickers, T-shirts, Christian music and Bible 'discussions' shape people's beliefs more than the Bible.*

*Many function like God is distant and uninvolved.  
**Like he is blind and deaf.***

*So David reviews what God says...*

*Verse 2 ~ He is the **Judge of the Earth**  
Verse 9 ~ He is **Creator** and knows, sees and hears all  
Verse 10 ~ He **knows everything**  
Verse 11 ~ We think it , **He knows it***

*But then he pulls a theological rabbit out of a hat in verses 12-15. He says he allows the wicked to have their time in the sun to!*

**Verse 12:**

- ***To discipline us!***
- ***To shows us how we have lowered our guard and allowed this all to take place.***
- ***To highlight the need for a reestablishment of truth.***
- ***To lift up Christ so the upright can rally around him.***

*You may feel the inmates are running the asylum...but they aren't. GOD IS and remembering this can cause us to echo what David said in verses 18-19:*

***"When I said my foot is slipping, your love, O Lord supported me.  
When anxiety was great within me, your consolation brought joy to  
my soul."***

***Today, live your life affirming you serve a God who knows and sees all you do,  
who through the evil and oppressive things in our world's culture is teaching and  
revealing Christ to you if your heart is pure and upright! **Be encouraged!*****

**Love - Brad**

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