

Message Outline Mona Lisa Psalm 139

Intro: Summer series on famous art: a picture worth a thousand WORDs...

• Last week, *Starry Night* and the use of light despite the dark swirl of night (Mt.5:14-16).



Mona Lisa Leonardo da Vinci 1503-1517?

Read: Psalm 139

- **v.1-6**—The Psalmist in wonder at God's gaze on his life...
- v.7-12—The Infinite God's involvement: omniscient, omnipresent, omnipotent!
- **v.13-14**—God created us! We aren't chance mutations but created/chosen creatures!
 - God's creation doesn't negate human sin/fallen nature (Ps.51:5, Rom.5:12, 15).
 - Doctrine of Original Sin...
- **v.13-18**—Verse 17 enigmatic...God's care for us and/or our care for Him???
- v.19-22—Strong emotion enlisted...
- v.23-24—A prayer to processing life properly.

Sketches from the Scriptures

1)

• If God is always watching (v.1-12), that's both a warning and encouraging...

2)

- The mystery of God (Is.55:8-9)...
- Holy AND Loving...

3)

- BOTH God's holiness and love displayed on the cross (1Jn.4:10, Rom.5:8-10)...
- 4)
 - Mailbox or mugs: how are we reacting to God lately?