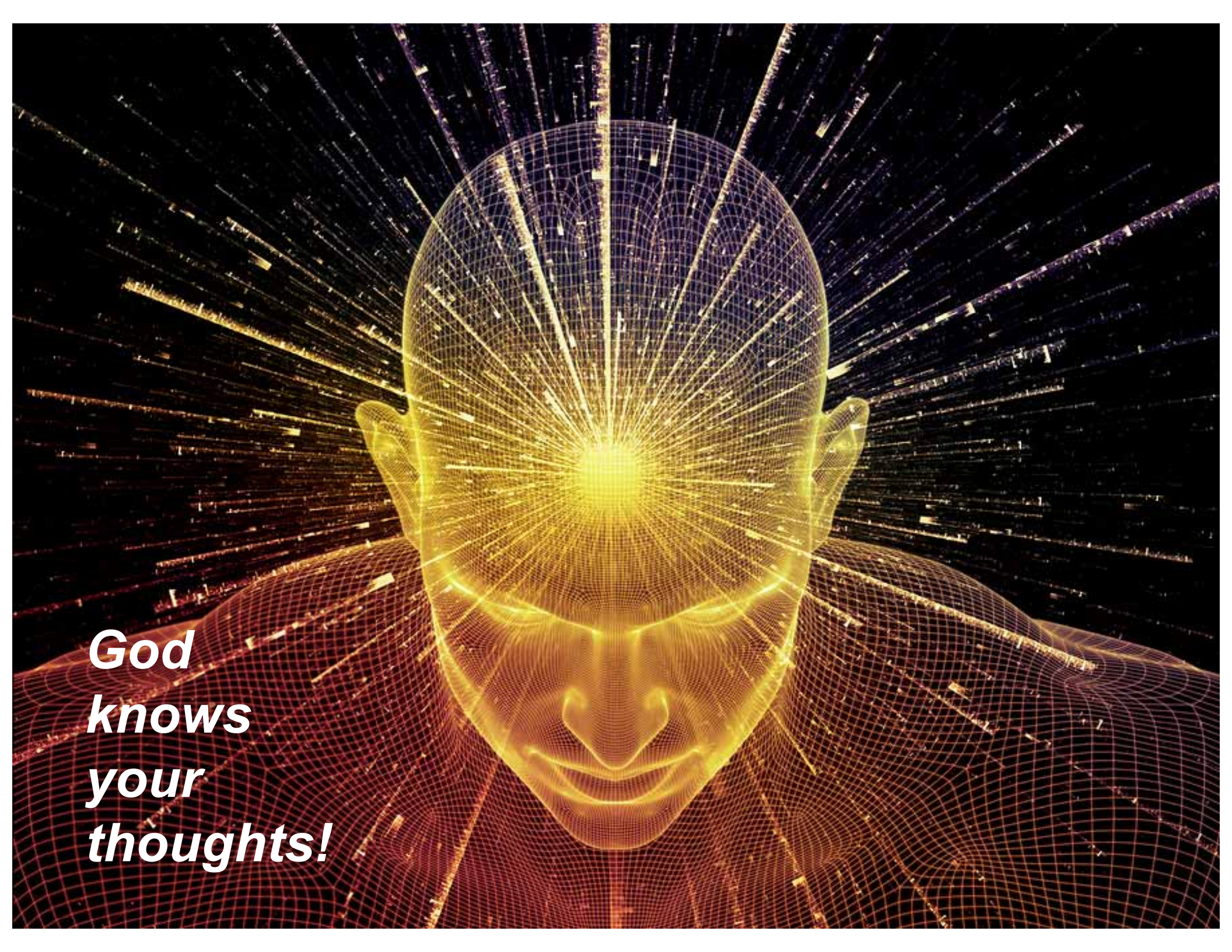
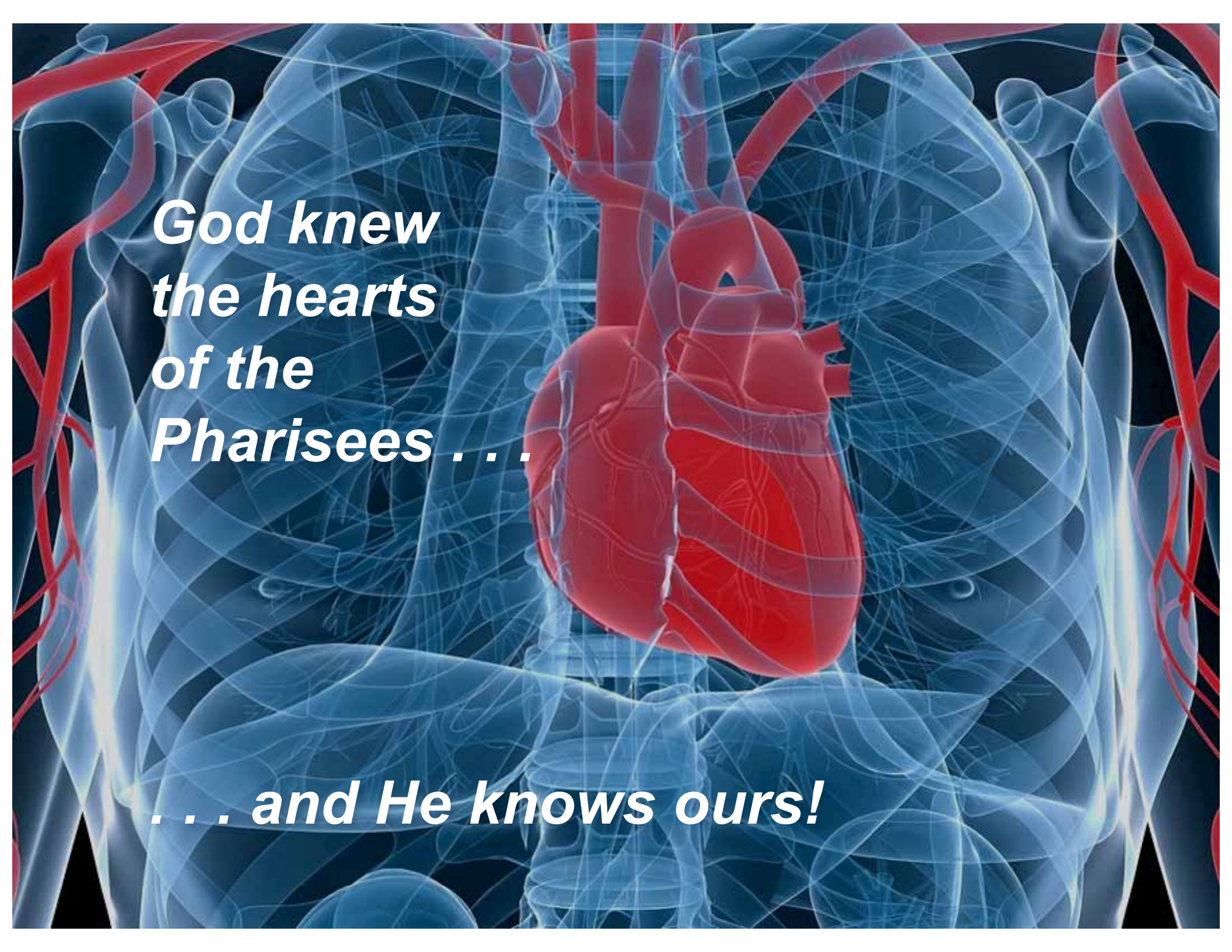




What Does God Want When You Pray?
Matthew 6:5-8

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***God
knows
your
thoughts!***



***God knew
the hearts
of the
Pharisees . . .***

. . . and He knows ours!

*Pharisees
would
stand
to
pray . . .*

. . . to be noticed
Matthew 6:5



*And He said to them, “You are those who justify yourselves in the sight of men, but **God knows your hearts**; for that which is highly esteemed among men is detestable in the sight of God.”*

Luke 16:15

*But Jesus, knowing what they were
thinking in their heart, took a child
and stood him by His side . . .*

Luke 9:47

Do not be hasty in word or impulsive in thought to bring up a matter in the presence of God. For God is in heaven and you are on the earth; therefore let your words be few.

Ecclesiastes 5:2

Talk Alone With God

Matthew 6:6

- ***Jesus did not mean that we cannot pray publicly.***
 - ***Mark 14:19***
 - ***Acts 27:35***

***When you pray . . .
. . . pray to God!***

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- ***Acts 27:35***

- ***We can pray in position we desire.***

- ***Daniel 6:10***

- ***Psalms 63:6***

Luke 9:16

Jonah 2:2:1-10

Matt. 14:30

*When I remember You on my bed,
I meditate on You in the night
watches . . .*

Psalm 63:6

***Peter Prayed,
“Lord, save me!”***



***God does not care about
your position, or location . . .***

***. . . He cares about your
heart!***

Talk With God Conversationally

Matthew 6:7

- ***Jesus said do not mindlessly repeat your prayers.***
 - ***Luke 6:12; 22:14***
 - ***Ephesians 6:18***
 - ***Luke 18:1-8***
- ***Pharisees thought this was a formula for getting God to answer their prayers.***

***God does not respond to
manipulation . . .***

. . . but to earnest prayers!

Talk With God Trustingly

Matthew 6:8

- ***Jesus says do not try to manipulate God.***
- ***We can trust God to know our needs.***

Talk With God Trustingly

Matthew 6:8

- ***If God already knows what I need, why pray?***
 1. ***It is good for us to pray!***

James 4:2

Proverbs 15:8

Revelation 5:8

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Talk With God Trustingly

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- ***If God already knows what I need, why pray?***
 - 1. It is good for us to pray!***
 - 2. We are commanded to pray!***
 - 3. God wants a relationship with us!***

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What does God want when you pray?

***He wants a
relationship!***