

## EXAMINE MY HEART

1998. Chapter 3 of Richard Foster's book Prayer was the spark for this song. We were on our annual summer holiday at Middleton. Having read the chapter on the Friday, I woke early next morning. I listened on headphones to a track of kd lang, followed by several songs on the ABC's 'Rage', the last of which was Mariah Carey's Butterfly. All of these elements played a role in the final product. Ps 17: 3 Ps 26:2-3 Ps 139: 2-3

1. Lord of every mystery,  
maker of the land and sea,  
you know every atom, each and every galaxy.  
Still you come to listen and to speak with me  
like a parent, lovingly.

Examine my heart, explore my mind,  
find the fears that lie hidden from my sight.  
Open me up and let me see  
how you work in my life,  
you move in my life.  
Examine my heart, explore my mind,  
what's behind every action that I take.  
And as I learn more than I knew,  
may I learn even more  
how deeply I'm loved by you.

2. Jesus, you're the light, the way;  
let me hear your voice today  
in the quiet, in the busyness of work and play.  
Speak to me in happiness or misery.  
Redirect me when I stray.

(At end of final chorus repeat last two lines  
two times)

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