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"You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies."

²³ Search me, God, and...
test me and....
²⁴ See if there is any ...,
and lead me

²³ Search me, God, and know my heart;
test me and know my anxious thoughts.
²⁴ See if there is any offensive way in me,
and lead me in the way everlasting.

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