

OUR SHEPHERD HOST

(Psalm 23)



Psalm 23

The LORD is my shepherd; I shall not want.

2 He makes me lie down in green pastures.

He leads me beside still waters.

3 He restores my soul.

He leads me in paths of righteousness
for his name's sake.

4 Even though I walk through the valley of the shadow
of death,

I will fear no evil,

for you are with me;

your rod and your staff,

they comfort me.



5 You prepare a table before me
in the presence of my enemies;
you anoint my head with oil;
my cup overflows.

6 Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me
all the days of my life,
and I shall dwell in the house of the LORD
forever.





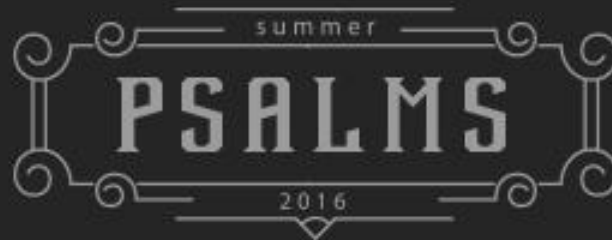
Psalm 23:1

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John 10:27-30

My sheep hear my voice, and I know them, and they follow me. 28 I give them eternal life, and they will never perish, and no one will snatch them out of my hand. 29 My Father, who has given them to me, is greater than all, and no one is able to snatch them out of the Father's hand. 30 I and the Father are one.



John 10:11, 17

I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep. . . For this reason the Father loves me, because I lay down my life that I may take it up again.



Psalm 23:1
The LORD is my shepherd; *I shall not want.*



1. I Will Not Lack Rest

Psalm 23:2

He makes me lie down in green pastures.
He leads me beside still waters.



John 6:35

Jesus said to them, "I am the bread of life; whoever comes to me shall not hunger, and whoever believes in me shall never thirst."



Matthew 11:28-30

Come to me, all who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. 29 Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me, for I am gentle and lowly in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. 30 For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light.



2. I Will Not Lack Restoration

Psalm 23:3a
He restores my soul.



3. I Will Not Lack Guidance

Psalm 23:3b

He leads me in paths of righteousness
for his name's sake.



“We wander away when we express the anger we feel toward our spouse or children. We wander away when we covet the blessing of a friend. We wander away when we compromise biblical conviction for acceptance, for possessions, or for position. We wander away when we surrender to a moment of lust. We wander away when we doubt God and his goodness. We wander away when we have opportunity to be salt and light, but remain silent and inactive, when the cares of this world squeeze out a diligent pursuit of God. Wandering does not only refer to rank apostasy. Much of our wandering is subtle and unnoticed.” Paul Tripp, *War of Words*



Psalm 119:105

Your word is a lamp to my feet and a light to my path.



Romans 8:14

For all who are led by the Spirit of God are sons of
God.



4. I Will Not Lack Safety

Psalm 23:4

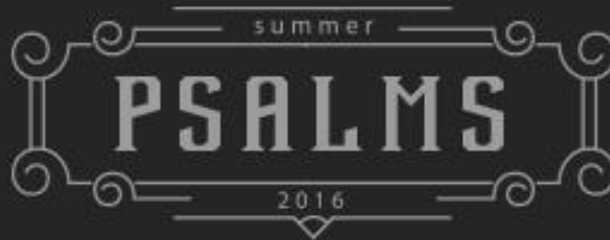
Even though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil, for you are with me; your rod and your staff, they comfort me.



5. I Will Not Lack Abundance

Psalm 23:5-6a

You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies; you anoint my head with oil; my cup overflows. 6 Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life . . .



John 10:10b
I came that they may have life and have it
abundantly.



6. I Will Not Lack a Future

Psalm 23:6b

. . . and I shall dwell in the house of the LORD
forever.



John 14:3

I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again
and will take you to myself, that where I am you may
be also.



Psalm 27:4

One thing have I asked of the LORD, that will I seek after: that I may dwell in the house of the LORD all the days of my life, to gaze upon the beauty of the LORD . . .

