

There's A Shepherd for That!

Today's Text – Psalm 23

He will call out to me, "You are my Father, my God, the Rock my Savior"
(Psalm 89:26)

The Lord is my _____ Shepherd! (v. 1)

➤ Follow His _____ in the fields (vv. 2-3)

➤ Cling to His _____ in the valley (v. 4)

➤ Dine at His _____ in the battle (v. 5)

➤ Hope in His _____ for the future (v. 6, John 10:11)

Jesus is the Good Shepherd. Is He your Shepherd?

FOR FURTHER ACTION AND REFLECTION:

- Plan to join us for worship for seven Wednesday nights starting 10/9
- Meditate on your "personal Psalm"
- Read 3 Psalms each day between now and Thanksgiving
- Read *A Shepherd Looks at Psalm 23* by Philip Keller
- Read *Kelly Tough* by Erin Kelly with Jim Kelly
- Listen to "Psalm 23 (Surely Goodness, Surely Mercy)" by the Brooklyn Tabernacle Choir -
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=RbgxBvLFerg>
- Listen to "Psalm 23 (I Am Not Alone)" -
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=8OIMGnPUAdw>

QUESTIONS FOR REFLECTION:

1. What stood out to you most from the message?
2. How has God been speaking to in the Psalms this week? Through your "personal Psalm" or any other Psalms?
3. What has Psalm 23 meant to you so far in your spiritual journey? Have you looked to this Psalm at any specific times or places?
4. What is one specific way the Lord has been a good shepherd to you recently? How has He caused you to lie down in green pastures, led you beside quiet waters, restored your soul, or guided you in paths of righteousness?
5. Do you believe it is true that "God is the closest when life is the hardest"? Why?
6. Share a story of any kind where you know God was with someone in a valley. Did God provide a victory in the midst of that valley?
7. Would you describe your current situation as a valley, a mountain top, or somewhere in between? Why?
8. What might it look like for you to sit down at the table the Lord has prepared for you in the midst of whatever season you are in right now?
9. Psalm 23:6 says "Surely..." – how certain are you that God's goodness and love are following you and that you will dwell in the house of the Lord forever? Why?
10. Spend some time praying for the season of worship we will have on Wednesday nights beginning October 9th.