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Summer in the Psalms

Lesson Six • Psalm 23

The Shepherd of Psalm 23

Main Point of Psalm 23

When the Lord is our <u>SHEPHERD</u>, we can trust in Him at all times; and a confident trust in the Lord produces a blessed contentment in our lives.

The Shepherd of Psalm 23

1. Intimacy with the Shepherd: The Lord Is MY Shepherd!

Intimacy with the Shepherd

- Psalm 23 was written by <u>DAVID</u> who could truly say, "The Lord is my shepherd."
- Psalm 23 was written for <u>CHRISTIANS</u> who can also say, "The Lord is my shepherd."

2. Sufficiency of the Shepherd: I Shall Not WANT!

Sufficiency of the Shepherd

Because the Lord <u>WATCHES</u> over those who trust in Him, I shall not want (v. 1-3).

The Shepherd Watches Over His Sheep

- The Lord provides rest and refreshment in our lives.
- The Lord provides restoration when straying away.
- The Lord provides guidance in the right paths.

Because the Lord <u>WALKS</u> with those who trust in Him, I will fear no evil (v. 4).

The Shepherd Walks With His Sheep

- Your trust in the Lord will not keep you from going through the dark valleys of life.
- Your trust in the Lord will keep you from living in fear of the dangers that threaten you in the dark valleys of life.
- > Because the Lord <u>WELCOMES</u> in those who trust in Him, I shall dwell in the house of the Lord forever (v. 5-6).

The Shepherd Welcomes In His Sheep

- The Lord's table is the place of abundant provision.
- The Lord's house is the place of abiding rest.

Takeaway

TRUST the Lord as your Shepherd at all times, knowing that He is with you in every place and at every season of life.

Recommended resource: The Lord of Psalm 23 by David Gibson