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The Lord Is My Shepherd

Week 6 · Psalm 23:1–3

THIS WEEK

• Open with the hook: everyone says sheep are stupid, but they're actually smart, social, and they recognize their own shepherd's voice. (Ties straight to John 10:27, "my sheep hear my voice.")
• The real reason we're like sheep isn't low IQ, it's that we wander and we're defenseless on our own. Isaiah 53:6, "all we like sheep have gone astray… to his own way."
• So we need a shepherd who provides and leads: green pastures, still waters, restores our soul, paths of righteousness. "I shall not want" means God gives all we truly need (not all we want).
• Jesus tie: "I am the Good Shepherd" who lays down His life for the sheep (John 10:11). You don't die for something worthless.

SCRIPTURE: PSALM 23:1–3

The LORD is my shepherd; I shall not want.
He makes me lie down in green pastures.
He leads me beside still waters.
He restores my soul.
He leads me in paths of righteousness
for his name's sake.

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.

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

MEMORY VERSE

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Psalm 23:1

SAY TOGETHER

Leader: "Christian family, what do we believe?"

All: "We believe in God the Father, Maker of heaven and earth. We believe in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord. We believe in the Holy Spirit, Who gives us life and makes us one."

PRAYER

Thank you Jesus that you are the good shepherd who cares for your flock. Thank you that you are the spotless lamb who takes away the sins of the world. Thank you that you are the risen warrior king who defeats death and makes all things right again. Thank you that you love us. In the holy name of Jesus we pray, amen.

A BLESSING

Go as a family in the peace of your Savior and closest friend, Jesus Christ.

See you next week!

Part of The Lord Is My Shepherd.