

THE LORD IS MY SHEPHERD

The Story of Scripture, part 13

Psalm 23, ESV

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PSALM 23:1 – 6

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.

I NEED INTIMACY WITH GOD MORE THAN I NEED ANYTHING ELSE.

ISAIAH 40:9 – 11

Go on up to a high mountain, O Zion, herald of good news; lift up your voice with strength, O Jerusalem, herald of good news; lift it up, fear not; say to the cities of Judah, "Behold your God!" Behold, the Lord God comes with might, and his arm rules for him; behold, his reward is with him, and his recompense before him. He will tend his flock like a shepherd; he will gather the lambs in his arms; he will carry them in his bosom, and gently lead those that are with young.

JOHN 10:10, 14 – 16

"The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy. I came that they may have life and have it abundantly . . . I am the good shepherd. I know my own and my own know me, just as the Father knows me and I know the Father; and I lay down my life for the sheep. And I have other sheep that are not of this fold. I must bring them also, and they will listen to my voice. So there will be one flock, one shepherd."

AS WE WALK IN INTIMACY WITH GOD, HE WILL RESTORE US.

PSALM 42:1 – 5

As a deer pants for flowing streams, so pants my soul for you, O God. My soul thirsts for God, for the living God. When shall I come and appear before God? My tears have been my food day and night, while they say to me all the day long, "Where is your God?" These things I remember, as I pour out my soul: how I would go with the throng and lead them in procession to the house of God with glad shouts and songs of praise, a multitude keeping festival. Why are you cast down, O my soul, and why are you in turmoil within me? Hope in God; for I shall again praise him, my salvation and my God.



PSALM 119:25

My soul clings to the dust; revive me according to your word!

MATTHEW 11:28 – 29

Come to me, all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you and learn from me, for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls.

AS WE WALK IN INTIMACY WITH GOD, HE WILL GUIDE US.

JAMES 1:5

If any of you lacks wisdom, let him ask God, who gives generously to all without reproach, and it will be given him.

AS WE WALK IN INTIMACY WITH GOD, HE WILL REASSURE US.

PSALM 23:4

... your rod and your staff, they comfort me.

AS WE WALK IN INTIMACY WITH GOD, HE WILL PROVIDE FOR US.

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I NEED YOUR GUIDANCE.

I NEED YOUR ASSISTANCE.

I NEED YOUR PROVISION.

I WANT YOU TO BECOME MY SHEPHERD.

