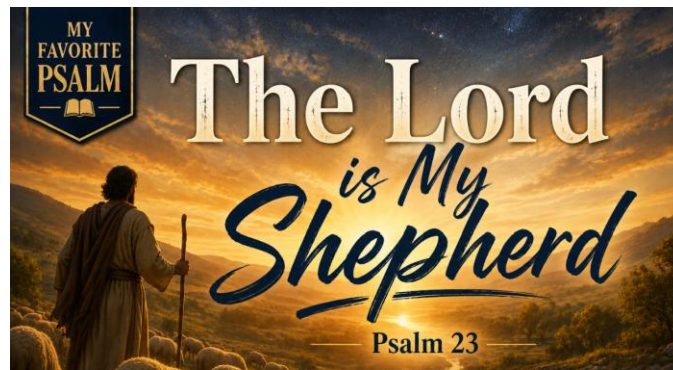




The Lord Is My Shepherd | Psalm 23

Let's take a look at perhaps the most well-known scripture in the entire Bible

I shall not want

Philippians 4:11

God will provide for those who trust him; therefore, we as Christians should learn to be content with whatever lot we have. The opposite of contentment is covetousness. Like all sin, it leads to misery. Contentment is not a feeling, but rather an attitude to work toward, a state of being that focuses on being thankful for what you have rather than looking around and coveting another's lot in life.

I Timothy 6:6

Covetous people are miserable. Have you noticed the anger from the socialist young people today in America? Government will not fix your situation, but godliness with contentment is great gain.

Proverbs 30:8-9

This is a good prayer request, focused on needs being met and not vanity.

Green pastures and still waters

Isaiah 26:3

Once you learn to trust God and have contentment, that also will bring peace to your life.

Philippians 4:6-7

As you see God work in your life and get you through things, you will learn contentment and peace, even in troubled times.

For his name's sake

Daniel 9:18

God gives Daniel special revelation as he is praying this prayer. Why? Because Daniel understood something in his heart that most of us only know in our head — that it's truly about God's glory and not about us.

Psalm 51: 12-13

David understood the same thing as Daniel and shows it in his prayer of repentance. By getting forgiveness from God, he can move forward from his sin and be used to glorify God.

Psalms 67:1-2

Same thing here. This request demonstrates not just a desire for mercy, but a desire to make God's way known.

II Corinthians 5:20

Remember that your life reflects upon the one you serve.

Proverbs 22:1

Having a good testimony is a big deal.

Job 1:8

Could God boast about me to the unseen world?

Rod and staff

Hebrews 12:6-11

God's staff, while not pleasant in the moment, can turn us from a bad direction in life and put us back on the right path.

Anointed

I Samuel 16:13

David's head was literally anointed with oil, symbolizing God chose him to be king of Israel.

Romans 8:15

If you have received Christ as your Lord and Saviour, you have been adopted into God's family, the King of kings and Lord of lords. You are a child of the king.

Revelation 1:5-6

As a child of the king, you also have a royal title. Now you really can say just like David that God has anointed your head with oil.

Dwell with him forever

Revelation 21:3-4

All the pain we experience in this life will pass. We have an eternal hope in Christ.

Romans 8:18

Whatever is happening in your life, remember this truth and cling to it. Though it seems long in the moment, this time of our existence is a vapor and small part of our time in eternity.

I John 3:2

One day we will be like him. What will that be like?

Psalms 17:15

I'll let David close this out.

We can be satisfied knowing one day we will awake with Christ's likeness!