

Joyful Life Bible Studies

Thanksgiving Study

2011

FIRST DAY: Read Psalm 23

1. Psalm 23 is probably the most beloved and memorized portion of Scripture. David began his calling as a shepherd. He reveled in thanksgiving, acknowledging God as his great Shepherd. Read this Psalm and let your heart marvel again at the glory of having the LORD as your great Shepherd. From Psalm 23 find and record ten reasons to be thankful:

a.

b.

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The LORD is my shepherd; I shall not want.

Psalm23:1

SECOND DAY: Read Psalm 23:1

1. Share at least five benefits you have experienced from having *the LORD* as your *shepherd*.

2. Why are you thankful that the *LORD* is your *shepherd*?

3. Write a prayer thanking God for His guidance and provision.

THIRD DAY: Read Psalm 23:2-3

1. Share a time when God has:
 - a. Made you *lie down in green pastures*

 - b. Led you *beside still waters*

 - c. Restored your *soul*

 - d. Led you *in paths of righteousness*

2. According to Psalm 23:3b, why has He done this?
 - a. What do you learn about the *name of the LORD* from Proverbs 18:10?

 - b. Why is it comforting to know that God is leading you?

 - c. Express your thankfulness for God's leading.

FOURTH DAY: Read Psalm 23:4

1. Record the promises you find in Psalm 23:4.
 - a. Which promise speaks to you today?
2. Relate an instance in which God has been with you when you were afraid.
3. List at least five ways God comforts you.
 - b. Write a sentence thanking God for His presence and comfort.

FIFTH DAY: Read Psalm 23:5

1. In what way has God shown you honor?
2. How has God protected you from your *enemies*?
3. How has God manifested His presence to you?
4. Take a moment to write your thanksgiving to God for His honor, protection, and anointing.

