
PSALMS | AMEN Bible Study 2018-19

The Intimate Care of the Shepherd

Psalm 23

November 1, 2018

Scripture Introduction

- I. **Guided by the Structure**
 - a. **Provision – Presence - Preparation**
 - b. **He - You**
 - c. **Shepherd - Host**
 - d. **David’s Personal Testimony**

- II. **Transformed through the Word**
 - a. **“The Lord is my shepherd”**
 - b. **“I shall not want”**
 - c. **“Green pastures”**
 - d. **“Restores my soul”**
 - e. **“For His name sake”**
 - f. **“The valley of the shadow of death”**
 - g. **“You are with me”**
 - h. **“Your rod and staff”**
 - i. **“Prepare a table”**
 - j. **“Anoint my head”**
 - k. **“Shall follow me”**
 - l. **“Dwell in the house of the LORD”**

Discussion Questions

1. How does understanding the structure of this Psalm strengthen your understanding of the words that David writes?
2. How does your familiarity with some parts of the Bible hinder and/or strengthen your personal application of those passages?
3. As men, we are often taught that being independent and self-sufficient is a sign of strength, but David constantly speaks of his weakness and dependence upon the LORD. How do you sort out those two opposing thoughts in your own life?

Going Deeper

1. Describe a time when you felt you were going through the “valley of the shadow.” How did you experience the presence of the LORD during that time?
2. What do you think the LORD is trying to teach you through this Psalm and at this time in your life?