

Faithful through the Ages

Our Good Shepherd

Psalm 23, John 10:11-30 | Pastor Chris Lenhart | 6/21/26



Series Goal: That together as a congregation we might see, trust, and rest in the unchanging faithfulness of Jesus across all time; past, present, and future.

This Week's Anchor Question:

How does Jesus, as our Good Shepherd, lead, provide for, and stay with us in our daily lives?

Our Good Shepherd Leads Us

Jesus leads us by His voice, not fear, shame, panic, or accusation.

Our Good Shepherd Provides for Us

He provides right paths, presence in the valley, protection, rescue, and His life at the cross.

Our Good Shepherd Stays with Us

He prepares a table for us, pursues us with mercy, knows us completely, and brings us home.

Because Jesus is our Good Shepherd...

We can trust Him to lead us, provide for us, and stay with us.

Hyper Links to other Scriptures

Psalm 23:1-3
John 10:10
Ez. 34:2-10, 15
Matthew 9:36
John 10:27-28

Psalm 23:3-5
John 10:11
Isaiah 53:6

Psalm 23:5-6
John 10:14

**For Further
Exploration and
Reflection:**
John 1:14, Genesis
48:15, Exodus
13:21-22, Psalm
78:52-53,
Numbers 27:16-17
Jeremiah 23:1-4
Mark 6:34
Luke 15:3-7
1 Peter 2:24-25, 5:4
Hebrews 13:20
Revelation 17:17

Holding Tension: *This space is left empty for unresolved questions, convictions, or prompts for further study/reading...*

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Next Steps: Home-Group Study and/or Personal Discipleship Guide

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Get together as a family or with a friend or group of friends this week!

Start with Prayer: Ask Jesus to guide our time together. Review prayer requests.

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Read the text (or portions) from 2 different versions –

John 10:11-30, Psalm 23

Pauses for Reflection and Discussion –

1. “The gospel of Psalm 23 is that we do not have to shepherd ourselves.”
 - *Where are we trying to lead, fix, protect, provide for ourselves instead of trusting Jesus as our Good Shepherd.*
2. “The Lord is MY Shepherd.” – Psalm 23:1
 - *What changes when we remember that Jesus does not care for us from a distance, but personally, tenderly, and closely?*
3. “Whose voice is actually leading me?”
 - *Where do we hear the voices of fear, shame, comparison, or anxiety louder than the voice of Jesus.*
4. “Righteousness means life rightly ordered under God.”
 - *What area(s) of our lives might Jesus be lovingly redirecting toward what is right, whole, and good?*
5. “The valley takes David’s theology and turns it into prayer.”
 - *What valley are we walking through where we need to stoop only speaking about God and begin speaking honestly to God?*
6. “His rod tells us that we are not without defense. His staff reminds us that we are always within his reach.”
 - *Where do we need the comfort of Jesus’s protection, guidance, rescue, or nearness today?*
7. “There is no valley dark enough, faith weak enough, or wolves ferocious enough to make Jesus run.”
 - *Where do we need to trust that Jesus will stay with us, pursue us with mercy, and bring us all the way home?*

Practical Living – This Week’s Application (*choose one or more*)

- Write or journal a prayer to pray daily:
- What posture is this text inviting me to practice? (*i.e. waiting, listening, courage, generosity, humility, surrender*):
- Write or journal a person or place to intentionally engage:

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For Further Exploration and Reflection:

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Prayer Requests

Family

Church

Community

Career & Friends

Other