

The Shepherd

Watchful over my needs



My shepherd!

"GOD, my shepherd! I don't need a thing. You have bedded me down in lush meadows, you find me quiet pools to drink from. True to your word, you let me catch my breath and send me in the right direction."

Psalm 23:1-3 MSG

Shepherd

Imagine sheep without a shepherd.

There is no guidance to lush rich green pastures. There is no one who protects and it is difficult for the sheep to rest.

The guidance of a shepherd is of one who already knows where the lush green pastures are. When he leads the sheep they don't have to know where to go, they just need to follow. He will get them there. He will bring them to a place where they can feed in peace and drink from quiet pools \mathfrak{S} . Hallelujah!

The shepherd carries a staff. With the staff he fends off predators. He protects the sheep. They don't have to fight the wolves. They need to trust the shepherd.

The shepherd maps out the journey with stops for rest included. He knows how long the sheep can walk or run and when they need to catch a breath.

Prayer

You are my Shepherd, I want for nothing. You guide me to and bed me in lush green meadows. There is sufficient provision for all my needs. I'm not hungry, I'm not in drought. I don't envy the fields of others because I'm in a rich field that satisfies all my needs. You secured a good place for me.

Thank you for protecting me with the blood and the Holy Spirit.

You understand my need to refocus and refresh so that I can gather my strength to continue with the walk. I can rest in you.

I need you. I love you. I listen for Your voice.

Amen!

Scripture reference

""I am the Good Shepherd. The Good Shepherd puts the sheep before himself, sacrifices himself if necessary. A hired man is not a real shepherd. The sheep mean nothing to him. He sees a wolf come and runs for it, leaving the sheep to be ravaged and scattered by the wolf. He's only in it for the money. The sheep don't matter to him." John 10:11-13 MSG

"I am the good shepherd; and I know My sheep, and am known by My own." John 10:14 NKJV "Come to Me, all you who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest." Matthew 11:28 NKJV

"He has brought us to this place and has given us this land, "a land flowing with milk and honey" Deuteronomy 26:9 NKJV