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## Jesus, My Shepherd

Psalm 23; John 10

- 1) We as humans are weak and needy, straying like sheep
  - a) Lost and without direction
  - b) Defenseless
  - c) Easily frightened
  - d) Filthy by nature
  - e) Unable to find sustenance w/o help
  - f) Not owners of their own wool
- 2) Like sheep, we as humans need a shepherd
  - a) They purchase their sheep for a great price
  - b) Their character dictates the life of a sheep
  - c) They mark their sheep as their owners
- 3) A good shepherd provides all that a sheep needs
- 4) A good shepherd calms us, restores us, provides for us
- 5) A good shepherd disciplines us when we stray
- 6) Jesus is Yahweh (the LORD) of the OT (John 10)
  - a) He is the Good Shepherd
  - b) He knows His sheep by name; they know Him
  - c) He lays down His life for His sheep
  - d) He gives them eternal life; will never let His sheep go

