



GOD WILL

*take care*

OF YOU

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John 10:11

INTRODUCTION

NOTES

As a follower of Christ, you have a special assurance. In the face of life’s uncertainties and in the midst of life’s ups and downs, you don’t have to worry because God will take care of you. After all, Jesus described Himself in Scripture as “the good Shepherd.” And as our good Shepherd, Jesus promises to take care of us in three specific ways. Let’s look at those three ways now.

KEY POINTS

1. Jesus Will Take Care Of Our Provisions

We all know Psalm 23:1, “the Lord is my shepherd; I have all that I need.” Since sheep are helpless and unable to meet their own needs, the shepherd is the one who is able to step in and meet those needs.

Jesus is saying that He is our Shepherd, and therefore we don’t have to want for anything. He takes us to places in life where we can find nourishment. He leads us to places where we can find peace. Even in uncertain times and questionable circumstances, Jesus says, “I’ll be your provider.” He will take care of our provisions.

2. Jesus Will Take Care Of Our Protection

In addition to taking care of our provisions, Jesus also takes care of our protection. Shepherds provide, but it is also their responsibility to protect. Unlike other animals, sheep do not have the ability or the agility to flee and run when they are under attack. All they can do is huddle together and hope they are not the one who falls prey to the enemy.

But when the shepherd is around, sheep can be confident that there is someone who can protect them from all hurt, harm, and danger. While the thief comes to steal, kill, and destroy, Jesus says He came that we might have life and have it abundantly, and He ensures that through His protection.

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### 3. Jesus Will Take Care Of Our Penalty

Today's key verse gives us a beautiful picture of how much Jesus loves His children. He says, "I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd lays down his life for his sheep" (John 10:11). When Jesus laid down His life for us on the cross, He took care of the penalty for our sins. Even though He never sinned Himself, He loved us so much that He would take our punishment so we didn't have to face it. He paid the price so that we could have a personal relationship with our Heavenly Father. By taking care of our penalty, He took care of our eternity.

## NOTES

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**QUESTIONS TO CONSIDER**

1. When was a time the Lord provided for you when you were in need? How can that experience strengthen and encourage you in your faith today?
2. Has there been a situation in your life when Jesus protected you from something? How was your life changed because of that protection?
3. In addition to the three ways we discussed today, what is another way Jesus takes care of us?

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