

It All Depends Upon Who's Your Lord

The Power of an Abundant Life Breakthrough

Psalm 23 KJV

1 "The LORD is my shepherd; I shall not want.

2 He maketh me to lie down in green pastures: He leadeth me beside the still waters.

3 He restoreth my soul: He leadeth me in the paths of righteousness for his name's sake.

4 Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil: for thou art with me; Thy rod and thy staff they comfort me.

5 Thou preparest a table before me in the presence of mine enemies: Thou anointest my head with oil; my cup runneth over.

6 Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life: And I will dwell in the house of the LORD for ever."

These Things We Must Believe: Un-Compromised Truths

1. Everything who God said He is, He must show Himself to be just that.

Deuteronomy 5:6 - I am the Lord thy God, which brought thee out of the land of Egypt, from the house of bondage.

2. Everything that God say's, has to be true.

Numbers 23:19 - "God is not a man, that he should lie; Neither the son of man, that he should repent: Hath he said, and shall he not do it? Or hath he spoken, and shall he not make it good?"

3. Everything that God does, must have a purpose.

Isaiah 14:24 - "The LORD of hosts hath sworn, saying, Surely as I have thought, so shall it come to pass; and as I have purposed, so shall it stand:"

4. Everything that God is I must believe that He is just that without doubt.

Hebrews 11:6 - But without faith it is impossible to please him: for he that cometh to God must believe that He is, and that He is a rewarder of them that diligently seek Him.

Rewarder: Greek - MISTHAPODOTES - One who pays wages

Diligently: Greek - SPOUDE - To have an earnest or honest zeal.

Introduction: This Psalm of David is a parallel distinction of his life as a shepherd, leading, nurturing and protecting his Father's sheep. David's life experience taught him the art of and the power in submitting to an authority who has a better handle on your life than you do.

“Control is a contract that you make with yourself, in order to restrict the interference of outside influences in your life.”

Nobody knows me better than me: that sounds good when you factor in other humans. But when you factor in the Most High God, that changes the game.

Paul writes conclusively and correctly in **1 Corinthians 2:11- No one knows a person's thoughts except that person's own spirit, and no one can know God's thoughts except God's own Spirit.**

This however is not in anyway suggesting a human spirit is on the level of God who is Divine, as is His Spirit. Let me help you by elaborating just a little. The only way for us to know God in any form, is for us to be born again, by receiving His Spirit within us. Having His Spirit in us gives us the ability to know God extensively but never exhaustively. Now God on the other hand knows everything there is to know about us, and He doesn't have to be informed by us in order to know everything that He knows.

Psalms 139: 1-6 makes this point very clear. **Verse one** alone says; **Lord you have examined my heart and you know everything there is to know about me.**

Verse 6 say's; **Such knowledge is too wonderful for me, too great for me to understand.**

Isaiah 40:14 NLT- **“Has the Lord ever needed anyone’s advice? Does he need instruction about what is good? Did someone teach him what is right or show him the path of justice?”**

The sovereign intelligence of God is to be embraced and should put at extinct any human ideology that minimize it by disavowing it. God is to be revered by us on every level, less we are left to the death of a self indulged and self induced mindset.

Psalm 23, is not just a Psalm of comfort, because comfort without alignment changes nothing. God’s Divine comfort, is not some free grace given to people who have no connection to God.

“You can’t get God’s comfort if you’re not connected to His cause or character.”

He is not your God specifically until you claim him personally, explicitly and submissively.

Psalms 23 is also prophetic sword, given to those who have surrendered to Him. He gives us this Psalm to use, to fight our way through the resistances that come to make us to not only forget who we are, but more so to get us to forget who He is and whose we are.

The emphasis of my focus today, is only on one verse, because this verse is what gives relevant and reliable resources, without the interruption of strongholds that bind you and blind you to what you have in God. Especially is He is your God!!

Psalms 23 only works if “**The Lord is Your Shepherd.**” Not just in word but in **Authority**. That means, **He Leads, You Follow. He Speaks, You Obey**. Even when it doesn’t make sense, because that’s where breakthroughs happen, when we surrender to God. The entirety of these six verses, rest fully upon one truth and one truth only. **Is He Your Lord?**

Senseless and inconclusive calculations often times lead to conclusive revelation, because with God it doesn’t have to make sense, it just has to be spoken by Him and believed by us.

Just because you can’t figure it out, doesn't mean, that He can’t work it out.

The Lord is My Shepherd: The One who leads, guides, cares, provides and protects.

I shall not want. This is not a suggestion but a prophetic reality, that say's, you must bring your life into alignment with and declare it everyday of your life. It's prophetic, because it speaks in the definite now, what is to come later, which could be two seconds from now.

Psalms 23 does not only describe abundance, it unlocks it. Every verse is a step in the breaking of the curse. God is not the God of lack, He is the God of plenty, and a life of fruitfulness. This is not just speaking of everything natural and material, but this is more spiritual than anything. Once the spiritual revelation dominates your natural understanding, then natural and material things will manifest themselves in an abundant way. That's just the way God planted it and planned it, from the beginning.

You get God you have everything for eternity; you have everything and you don't have God, you have nothing that will last into eternity. **Get God Now!!**

Poverty, mentally, naturally or spiritually, is a spirit designed to drain and strain you. It robs you of your peace, and your inheritance as a child of the Most High God.

“If the enemy can keep you in lack, he can keep you in fear; and if he can keep you in fear you will never walk in the power of faith.”

- If you want breakthrough, and not just **a** breakthrough, you’re going to have to answer the question; who’s truly shepherding your life?
- Are you led by fear, stress, anxiety, or are you following your own understanding?
- Breakthrough is not God forcefully breaking in, it’s you humbly surrendering, declaring that you are through with being in control.

I have challenged you today to forget about the promises and the privileges within Psalm 23, and focus solely on the principle and policy of Psalm 23. Is the Lord your Shepherd?

- **John 10:14, He is the Good Shepherd.**
- **Hebrews 13:20, He is the Great Shepherd.**
- **1Peter 5:4, He is the Chief Shepherd.**

If the honest answer is yes then you should not be wanting, your needs should be met, especially not without expectation of consistent breakthroughs.