

PSALM 23



Reason for Hope!
February 11, 2024 | Psalm 23:6
Questions for Study and Group Discussion

*** Before you begin, please read Psalm 23:1-6. (These questions will focus on Psalm 23:6.)*

1. Icebreaker: When you think about the future, what do you most look forward to?
2. As you read through Psalm 23:6, what is there to look forward to about the future God has for His people? (Hint: See also Rev 22:1-5; John 14:1-3.)
3. What difference can this hope make in your life this week?
4. In his book on Psalm 23, author David Gibson suggests that the phrase “surely your goodness and love will follow me” is better translated this way: “surely your goodness and love pursue me.” How does this change the way you understand the verse?
5. Read Romans 5:6-8 and 1 John 4:10. What do these verses teach about God’s pursuing love of us?
6. What is the right response to Jesus’ pursuing love? Use Scripture to support your answer.
7. What other questions or comments do you have about what you’ve looked at in the Bible today?
8. Spend some time reviewing what you’ve learned over the course of this whole series through Psalm 23. What are 1-2 big take-aways that you’ll leave with from this series?
9. Imagine what your life would look like if you lived increasingly in line with this psalm. What would look most different from your life right now? Why?
10. **Challenge:** Identify one way this passage is challenging or encouraging you. Who can you tell about what you’re learning this coming week?
11. **Challenge:** Memorize Psalm 23:1-6: “The LORD is my shepherd, I lack nothing. He makes me lie down in green pastures, he leads me beside quiet waters, he refreshes my soul. He guides me along the right paths for his name’s sake. Even though I walk through the darkest valley, I will fear no evil, for you are with me; your rod and your staff, they comfort me. You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies. You anoint my head with oil; my cup overflows. Surely your goodness and love will follow me all the days of my life, and I will dwell in the house of the Lord forever.