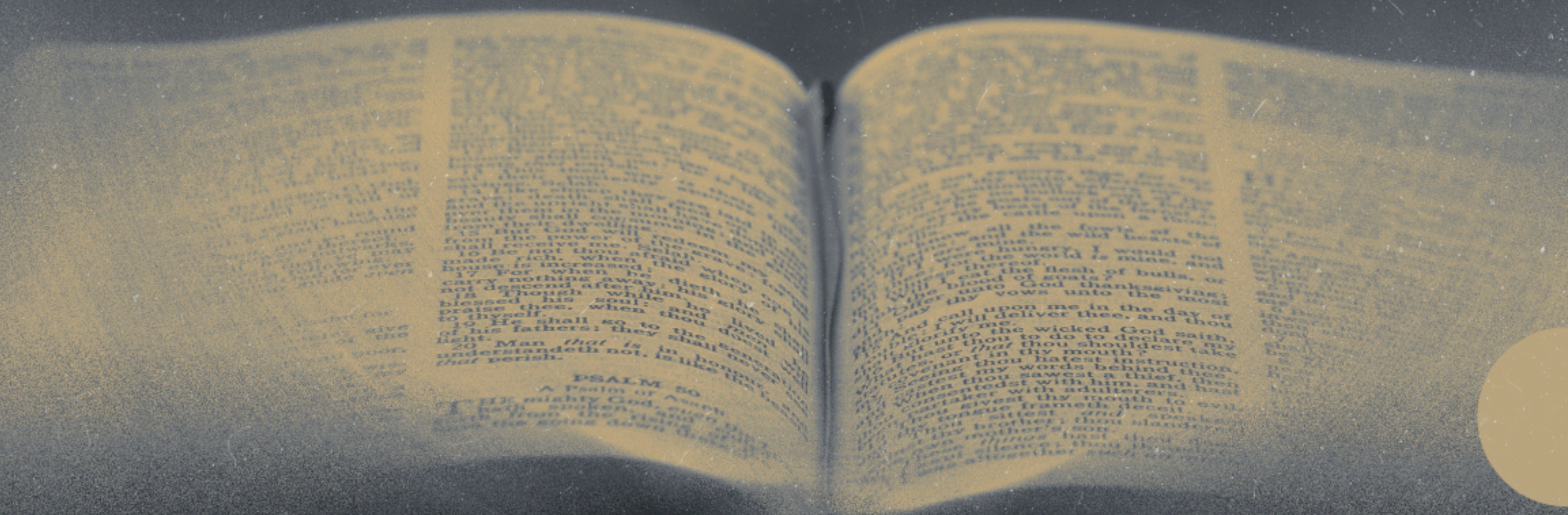


MEETING GOD IN THE PSALMS



Psalm 23



Abba, Father
Abiding
Able
Abounding and Abundant
Adequacy
Adonai, Lord and Master
Advocate
All
All-knowing
All-powerful
Almighty God
Alpha and Omega
Amen
Ancient of Days
Anointed of God
Answer
Architect and builder
Arm of the Lord

Ascended
Atonement
Author and finisher of faith
Authority
Available
Avenger
Awesome
Balm of Gilead
Banner to the people
Beautiful
Before all things
Beginning and end
Beloved Son of God
Betrothed
Blameless
Blessed hope
Blesses
Bread from heaven
Bread of life

Bridegroom
Bright morning star
Brightness of glory of God
Brother
Burden-bearer
Captain of the Lord's host
Carpenter
Chief cornerstone
Chief shepherd
Choice and precious
Chosen of God
Christ Jesus our Lord
Christ the power of God
Cleansing
Comforter
Coming again
Commander of the army of the Lord
Compassionate
Confidence
Conquering
Consolation
Consuming fire
Counselor
Covenant-keeping God

Psalm 23 (KJV)

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.



1. We are sheep



Ephesians 2:1

As for you, you were dead in your transgressions and sins.



2. We Have a Great Shepherd That Provides

Psalm 23

1 The Lord is my shepherd, I lack nothing.

2 He makes me lie down in green pastures, he leads me beside quiet waters,

3 he refreshes my soul. He guides me along the right paths for his name's sake.

Psalm 23:1 (KJV)

The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want.

Psalm 23:1-3 (NIV)

The Lord is my shepherd, I lack nothing.

Psalm 23:1 (NLT)

The Lord is my shepherd; I have all that I need.

Psalm 23:1 (Message)

God, my shepherd! I don't need a thing.

“Everything that is needful that he sends.
Nothing is needful that He withholds”

-John Newton

To wait is this attitude. To wait on the Lord means I am going to judge my circumstances by Jesus' love. I am not going to judge Jesus' love by my circumstances. I'm going to see the current dispensation of history I am in as an expression of his love. "Everything is needful that he sends," John Newton said. "Nothing can be needful that he withholds." I discipline myself to think that way. I discipline myself to see it that way. That's waiting. The other aspect to waiting on the Lord is not just an attitude but an action. They obey. They obey him. They do what he says.

- Dr. Timothy J. Keller



Psalm 23:2

He makes me lie down in green pastures, he leads me beside quiet waters

He makes me to lie down:



He makes me to lie down:

-He provides freedom from fear

He makes me to lie down:

-He provides freedom from fear

-He provides freedom from friction

He makes me to lie down:

- He provides freedom from fear
- He provides freedom from friction
- He provides freedom from pests

He makes me to lie down:

- He provides freedom from fear
- He provides freedom from friction
- He provides freedom from pests
- He frees us from Hunger



Psalm 23:3

He refreshes (restores) my soul.

Psalm 42:11

*Why are you cast down, O my soul,
and why are you in turmoil within me?
Hope in God; for I shall again praise him,
my salvation and my God.*



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When the soul grows sorrowful he revives it; when it is sinful he sanctifies it; when it is weak he strengthens it. "He" does it. His ministers could not do it if he did not. His Word would not avail by itself. "He restoreth my soul." Are any of us low in grace? Do we feel that our spirituality is at its lowest ebb? He who turns the ebb into the flood can soon restore our soul. Pray to him, then, for the blessing—"Restore thou me, thou Shepherd of my soul!"

Charles Spurgeon - The Treasury of David



**3. We have a strong Shepherd
that protects**

Psalm 23:4-6 (NKJV)

Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil; For You are with me; Your rod and Your staff, they comfort me.

5 You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies; You anoint my head with oil; My cup runs 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 forever.

WALK

“Yea, though I walk, as if the believer did not quicken his pace when he came to die, but still calmly walked with God. To walk indicates the steady advance of a soul which knows its road, knows its end, resolves to follow the path, feels quite safe, and is therefore perfectly calm and composed. The dying saint is not in a flurry, he does not run as though he were alarmed, nor stand still as though he would go no further, he is not confounded nor ashamed, and therefore keeps to his old pace. Observe that it is not walking in the valley, but through the valley. We go through the dark tunnel of death and emerge into the light of immortality. We do not die, we do but sleep to wake in glory.”

-Charles Spurgeon

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THROUGH



SHADOW



Psalm 23:6

*Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me
All the days of my life;
And I will dwell in the house of the Lord forever.*

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