

KING DAVID — ♦ — ♦ — ♦ — AND HIS KING



Jesus, our Shepherd and our Host– Psalm 23

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“The paths of righteousness lead through the dark valley. And Jesus stands at the entrance and promises ‘I’ll meet you down there.’”

Listen again as Simon Voth concludes our series King David and his King with this biographical message from Psalm 23.

For personal reflection/community discussion

Read – Read the passage in its context several times. Read it slow enough to understand what God is saying through it.

- What ideas or words are emphasised, repeated or related in this passage?
- In your own words, what is the main idea of this passage? (Try to summarise these verses in 10 words or less)

Examine – Next, try to understand the specifics of what the passage is communicating.

- What do you notice about God? What has he done/is he doing in these verses?
- What do you learn about Jesus and his gospel from this passage?
- What does it reveal about people?
- How do you think the writer wanted his reader to respond to these words?

Apply - After seeking to understand God’s Word in this passage, consider how he intends to use it in your heart and life today.

- In what way did this message surprise you? What biographical aspects of David's life can you see in Psalm 23 (mention the ones Simon spoke of and others).
- What dark valley awaits us? Maybe there's something specific in mind - spend some time reflecting on our King's promise "I'll meet you *down there*."
- Simon concluded with a reminder of our King's banquet in Revelation 7. What is promised and what is absent at this meal?
- Consider the series as a whole. How has God spoken to you through his word?