

PSALMS

Psalms 23 | I Shall Dwell Forever | Sunday, August 16, 2026

(5-10 min) Optional Ice Breaker: What was your kindergarten teacher like? Do you remember her name?

LEADERS: Please share these announcements with your Home Group!

Announcements

Fall Discipleship Classes: Our Men's and Women's Bible Classes, Steps, and Mission of God classes all kick off in September. Learn more about our fall discipleship classes and register here: <https://citizenschurch.com/fall-preview>

Read God's Word Aloud

Psalms 23:5-6 (ESV)

5 "You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies; you anoint my head with oil; my cup overflows. 6 Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life, and I shall dwell in the house of the Lord forever."

Discuss God's Word and God's World

Important: The goal is to use this Guide to spark sanctifying conversation and opportunities for intercessory prayer, not to "get through" every question like a checklist. Feel free to linger on the questions that best facilitate that for your group.

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Start here: *Take a few moments to share and reflect together on what stood out to you from this week's Bible passage and the sermon about it.*

- Looking back over the last three weeks we've been in Psalm 23, what verse or phrase has impacted you the most, and why?
- Which part of Psalm 23 was easiest for you to trust, and which part challenged you to trust God more?
- Have you ever experienced God's peace in the middle of a difficult situation? What happened? Share with your home group.
- Is there an area of your life where you need to trust God's goodness and mercy more right now?
- What is one truth or future hope from Psalm 23:5–6 that you want to carry with you this week? Share it with your home group and ask them to check in with you about it during the week.

Sanctificational Prayer Guidance

Spend some time thanking God for protecting us during hard times.

God, thank You that Your goodness and unfailing love follow us every day of our lives. Help us to trust You when life is hard and remember that Your goodness and love never leave us.

Reflect on Psalm 23, Father, help us carry these truths with us throughout the week.



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Family Memory Verse of the Month for August

Only fear the LORD and serve him faithfully with all your heart. For consider what great things he has done for you.

1 Samuel 12:24 (ESV)