



Unit 11, Session 6

David's Psalm

Psalm 23

Story Point: David wrote a psalm to praise God.

In Bible times, people wrote songs called psalms to praise God. David loved God with all his heart, and he wrote many of the psalms in the Bible. Before David was a king, he was a shepherd. He fought off lions and bears to protect the sheep. When David thought about God, he realized that God is like a shepherd. This is a psalm that David wrote about God:

“The LORD is my shepherd.
I have everything I need.
He lets me rest in green pastures;
He leads me beside quiet waters.
He gives me strength, and
He leads me along the right paths
for His name’s sake.
Even when I go through the darkest valley,
I do not fear danger,
for You are with me;

Your rod and Your staff comfort me.
“You prepare a table before me
in the presence of my enemies;
You anoint my head with oil;
my cup overflows.
Only goodness and faithful love will be
with me
all the days of my life,
and I will live in the house of the Lord
forever.”

Christ Connection: David compared God’s love, protection, and guidance for His people to that provided by a shepherd for his sheep. Jesus is the Good Shepherd. He laid down His life to save people from sin. Because of Jesus, we have hope that one day we will live with God forever.



EXPERIENCE the Story

The Bible tells us what is true about God and about ourselves. All of the stories in the Bible fit together to tell us the big story of how God rescues sinners through His Son, Jesus.

- Choose a verse from Psalm 23 and write it below. Underline the words that are most important to you:

- What does this story teach us about God?

- What shepherd-like descriptions did David use of God?

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APPLY the Story

- In what ways is God like a shepherd?
- Why do you think people sometimes wander from God?
- How is Psalm 23 comforting to you?

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APPLY the Story

- Find Psalm 145:13 in your Bible and write the words below.

- Write a prayer to God, asking God to help you hear and follow His voice. Praise Jesus for His protection and comfort as our Good Shepherd.

READ THE WORD

Read one of the following passages each day this week:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> John 10:11 | <input type="checkbox"/> Ezekiel 34:30-31 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Matthew 9:36 | <input type="checkbox"/> Isaiah 40:10-11 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 2 Corinthians 1:3 | <input type="checkbox"/> 1 Peter 2:24-25 |