

THERE IS NOTHING I LACK ~ PSALM 23:1-6

→ Scripture Reading - Psalm 23:1-6 HCS

INTRODUCTION

The Lord is my Landlord I have to pay the Rent.
I very seldom see him he is not interested in me.
He does not care about my troubles they are mine to handle alone.
If there are problems he cannot be found.
But if you are late paying your rent watch out.
He will send lawyers and enforcers your way.
And soon you'll be out on the street all alone.

MY SHEPHERD PROVIDES ~ Psalm 23:1-3

[1] The Lord is my shepherd, I shall not be in want. [2] He makes me lie down in green pastures, he leads me beside quiet waters, [3] he restores my soul. He guides me in paths of righteousness for his name's sake.

APPLICATION

Psalm 23:1 (HCS) The LORD is my shepherd; there is NOTHING I LACK.

Psalm 23:1 (NLT) The LORD is my shepherd; I have ALL that I NEED.

Psalm 34:8-10 (NLT) Taste and see that the LORD is good. Oh, the joys of those who take refuge in him!
[9] Fear the LORD, you his godly people, for those who fear him will have all they need. [10] Even strong young lions sometimes go hungry, but those who trust in the LORD will lack no good thing.

Philippians 4:12-13 (NLT) I know how to live on almost nothing or with everything. I have learned the secret of living in every situation, whether it is with a full stomach or empty, with plenty or little. [13] For I can do everything through Christ, who gives me strength.

MY SHEPHERD PROTECTS ~ Psalm 23:4

[4] Even 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.

APPLICATION

We Can Count On The SHEPHERD...

- He knows WHERE we need to go
- He can protect us from ANY Danger
- He can keep us from SLIPPING OFF the path

The Shepherd is Responsible to...

- LEAD and GUIDE
- FEED and CARE For
- RESTORE
- PROTECT from all danger

GOD'S GOODNESS AND LOVE PURSUE ME ~ Psalm 23:5-6

[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 love will follow me all the days of my life, and I will dwell in the house of the Lord forever.

TAKE AWAY ??

Psalm 23:6 (NLT) Surely your goodness and unfailing love will *PURSUE ME* all the days of my life, and I will live in the house of the Lord forever.

GOD MADE ALL THE FIRST MOVES...

- He SENT Jesus to die
- He MAKES the offer of RELATIONSHIP
- He gives the INVITATION to spend eternity with Him.

The host ALWAYS Provides for the Guests

Revelation 3:20 (NLT) "Look! Here I stand at the door and knock. If you hear me calling and open the door, I will COME IN, and we will SHARE a meal AS FRIENDS.

QUESTIONS

1. Can I honestly say the Lord is MY shepherd I LACK Nothing?
2. Can you see the Shepherd - can you hear His voice as you go through hard things?
3. Are you seeking those times of QUIET to be alone with the Shepherd to grow in your walk with Him?