

# PSALM 23 | THE LORD LEADS ME

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### Psalm 23 (ESV)

<sup>1</sup> The LORD is my shepherd; I shall not want.

<sup>2</sup> He makes me lie down in green pastures. He leads me beside still waters.

<sup>3</sup> He restores my soul. He leads me in paths of righteousness for his name's sake.

<sup>4</sup> 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.

<sup>5</sup> You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies; you anoint my head with oil; my cup overflows.

<sup>6</sup> Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life, and I shall dwell in the house of the LORD forever.

### THE LORD LEADS ME INTO HIS CONTENTED LIFE

SECULAR CONTENTMENT | A State of happiness and satisfaction

BIBLICAL CONTENTMENT | The conviction that Christ's power, purpose, and provision is sufficient for every circumstance.

**1 Timothy 6:6 (ESV)** *But godliness with contentment is great gain*

### THE ENEMY OF CONTENTMENT IS STRIVING

STRIVING | To devote serious energy or effort to achieve or accomplish

### DON'T GET CAUGHT STRIVING FOR WHAT

### YOU ALREADY HAVE IN CHRIST

**Matthew 6:33-34 (ESV)** <sup>33</sup> But seek first the kingdom of God and his righteousness, and all these things will be added to you. <sup>34</sup> "Therefore do not be anxious about tomorrow, for tomorrow will be anxious for itself. Sufficient for the day is its own trouble."

## TWO PLACES THE LORDS LEADS

**Psalm 23:2 (ESV)** *He makes me lie down in green pastures. He leads me beside still waters.*

### 1. THE LORD LEADS ME INTO HIS REST

**Matthew 11:28-30 (ESV)** <sup>28</sup> Come to me, all who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. <sup>29</sup> Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me, for I am gentle and lowly in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. <sup>30</sup> For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light."

- REST DOES NOT COME NATURALLY
- SHEEP REST WHEN THEY CAN SEE THEIR SHEPHERD
- THE LORD LEADS US FROM HIS REST

**Psalm 23:3 (ESV)** *...He leads me in paths of righteousness for his name's sake.*

### 2. THE LORD LEADS ME INTO HIS RIGHTEOUSNESS

**John 10:1-6 (ESV)** "Truly, truly, I say to you, he who does not enter the sheepfold by the door but climbs in by another way, that man is a thief and a robber. <sup>2</sup> But he who enters by the door is the shepherd of the sheep. <sup>3</sup> To him the gatekeeper opens. The sheep hear his voice, and he calls his own sheep by name and leads them out. <sup>4</sup> When he has brought out all his own, he goes before them, and the sheep follow him, for they know his voice. <sup>5</sup> A stranger they will not follow, but they will flee from him, for they do not know the voice of strangers." <sup>6</sup> This figure of speech Jesus used with them, but they did not understand what he was saying to them. <sup>7</sup> So Jesus again said to them, "Truly, truly, I say to you, I am the door of the sheep. <sup>8</sup> All who came before me are thieves and robbers, but the sheep did not listen to them. <sup>9</sup> I am the door. If anyone enters by me, he will be saved and will go in and out and find pasture."

- WHEN THE LORD IS LEADING, IT IS ALWAYS THE RIGHT PATH
- THE RIGHT PATH WILL NOT ALWAYS BE AN EASY PATH

**Revelation 7:17 (ESV)** <sup>17</sup> For the Lamb in the midst of the throne will be their shepherd, and he will guide them to springs of living water, and God will wipe away every tear from their eyes."

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