**The 23rd Psalm / Pastures and Waters**

Psalm 23:1-3 / March 9, 2025

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**Context and Scope**

* Author is King David – wide range of life experiences
* King David is the author of Psalm 22
* Woes of the Shepherd precede the joys of the Sheep

**Shepherd and Sheep**

* Shepherd
  + - Time honored among people of God
    - LORD; the “I AM”
    - Beyond and Beside
    - Presence and Voice
    - Goes before the sheep
* Sheep
  + - Clueless
    - Straying
    - Follow for they know Shepherd’s voice
* Needs and Provision
* He makes us able to lie down
* Shepherd’s Look at Psalm 23
* Four F’s
* Pastures and Waters
  + Imagine
  + Recall
  + Restore
    - If Sheep is . . . the Shepherd . . .
      * Sorrowful (He gladdens)
      * Sinful (He cleanses)
      * Sapped (He strengthens)

**Reflect and Pray**