

## Week 1 | July 1 Sermon

## **GROUP Discussion::**

Please read Psalm 23.

If you find this Psalm meaningful, would you explain why?

Are specific words or phrases "imprinted" on your heart? If so, why?

The series is based on the very first verse of Psalm 23: "The Lord is my Shepherd; I shall not want."

Kevin suggests this verse describes the life we all desire—a life in which we want for nothing, or better yet, lack nothing. The psalmist is portraying a life we were meant to enjoy, one that is available to us. Do you believe this is true? Why or why not?

What is your response to Kevin's "series in a sentence?" [A Psalm 23 life is simply a matter of having one's mind fully and constantly fixed on God <u>as He is</u>, confident that He will provide everything we need.]

The experience of a "life without lack (Psalm 23:1) depends first and foremost upon the presence of God in our lives, because the Source of this abundant life is the Lord Himself. Do you agree or disagree?

Why?

Would you be willing to pray for each other in the area of "trust?" Please pray that each of you will be (come) more trusting in the One who identifies Himself as our Good Shepherd.

Would you close your time by praying The Lord's Prayer together?

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name.

Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread and forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.

And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil.

For Thine is the Kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen.

