

Week 7 | August 12 Sermon

GROUP Discussion::

As individuals, please read and reflect upon Psalm 23. Consider these questions and be prepared to share with others.

What speaks to you, today, from Psalm 23?

Has this Psalm enriched your relationship with the Lord? If so, how? If so, when?

As a group, would you respond to Daniel Laniak's belief that a good shepherd in the Middle East is one who:

Provides

Protects

Guides

Do you agree that this is how our Good Shepherd relates to us? Has this been your experience? How has this influenced how you live?

Does the extent of our Good Shepherd's "need-meeting love" (23:1) surprise you as you discuss what Psalm 23 reveals?

Names, knows and loves

Provides food and drink

Offers tranquility

Rescues when lost

Protects against fear (evil and death)

Prepares a lavish banquet while surrounded by enemies

Provides an eternal Presence

Has this been your experience? If not, how could it be?

Why do so many request that Psalm 23 be read in their funeral service?

Would you pray for each other? Specifically, will you pray the "blessings and promises" of our Good Shepherd over each other?

