

Topic: Our Wonderful Shepherd

Scripture text: Psalm 23

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1. Psalm 23 was written by David based on his own experiences. He was a shepherd boy himself and understood what it meant to be a good shepherd to protect his own flock. In 1 Sam 17:34-36, David had to fight against lion and bear who attacked his sheep. Of course, David could do it knowing the Lord was with him.
2. Every believer must be able to testify and experience that the Lord Jesus Christ is our good Shepherd who will always protect and provide for us. God also sends under-shepherds to us to teach us God's Word and help us in our spiritual life. But the under-shepherds are still men and can fall. We must not be affected by men.
3. The Bible tells us that God's sheep will hear His voice. We have the perfect Bible to know the truth of God. We ought to follow only the Lord Jesus Christ as our good Shepherd. We have the perfect Spirit of God in us to teach and guide us in the truth of God's Word.
4. The Lord is my Shepherd - He is all I need. The Lord will provide for us both physically and spiritually. The Lord will lead us to green pastures which is good grass and still waters which is safe drinking place. We don't have to worry at all. We need only to walk in God's will and trust in Him fully.
5. Our good Shepherd also carries with Him a rod which is both to protect us and also to discipline us when we go astray. God's cane is a "sugar cane" which chastens us out of His love for us so that we will always walk in the path of righteousness.