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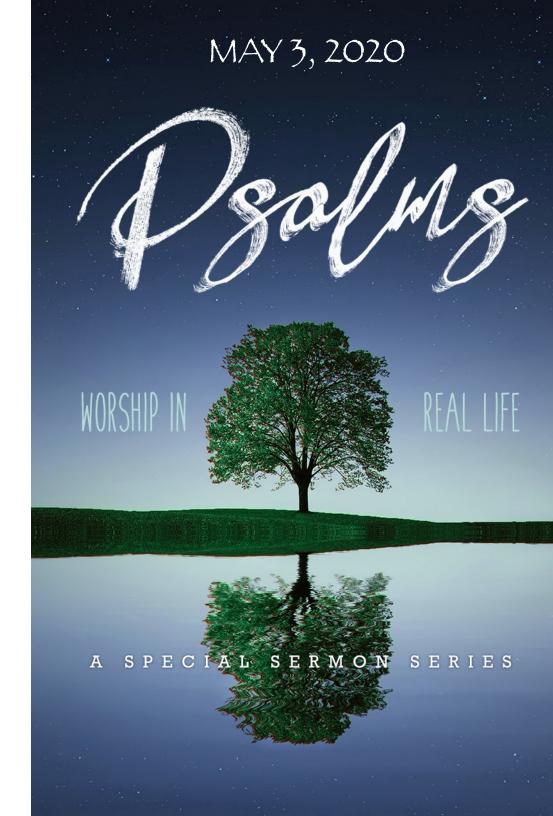
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worship guide

May 3, 2020

Our passage today is from Psalm 23. As you prepare your heart for worship in song, in His Word, and in the fellowship of the saints, please consider:

COMPLEMENTARY SCRIPTURE

"I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep. He who is a hired hand and not a shepherd, who does not own the sheep, sees the wolf coming and leaves the sheep and flees, and the wolf snatches them and scatters them. He flees because he is a hired hand and cares nothing for the sheep. I am the good shepherd. I know my own and my own know me, just as the Father knows me and I know the Father; and I lay down my life for the sheep."

[John 10:11-15 ESV]

CONSIDER - DISCUSS - PRAY

- Think about Psalm 23, what memories do you have of it? How has it played a part in your life?
- How has God provided what you needed in your life? Has that differed that what you wanted, or the path you wanted to take?
- How do we handle doctrinal differences and potentially false teaching? What heart attitudes are important?
- · In what ways are we expecting too much out of this world, when we have a perfect, eternal home waiting for us?
- How can we cultivate trust in Jesus, the Good Shepherd?
- · What does it look like to rest in Jesus? How can we tell if we are not resting in Him?
- NEXT WEEK'S PASSAGE: Psalm 24

SING

I Lift My Eyes Up | O Fount of Love | How Deep the Father's Love for Us

sermon notes May 3, 2020 **PSALM 23**

A Psalm of Trust and Rest

1. My Shepherd [23:1-3]

The Shepherd provides His sheep with what they need.

2. Ninja Shepherd [23:4; Acts 20:28-30; 2 Timothy 3:16-17; Ephesians 6:17]

The Shepherd protects His sheep from danger.

3. Host Shepherd? [23:5-6]

The Shepherd welcomes His sheep home.

Big Idea: If we trust in the Shepherd, we will rest in Him.

VERSE 1

I lift my eyes up to the mountains, where does my help come from?
My help comes from You, Maker of Heaven, Creator of the earth.

CHORUS

O how I need You Lord, You are my only hope; You're my only prayer. So I will wait for You to come and rescue me, Come and give me life (Psalm 121)

I Lift My Eyes Up

O Fount of Love

Verse 1

O fount of love divine that flows
From my Savior's bleeding side
Where sinners trade their filthy rags
For His righteousness applied
Mercy cleansing ev'ry stain
Now rushing o'er us like a flood
There the wretch and vilest ones
Stand adopted through His blood

Verse 2

O mount of grace to Thee we cling From the law hath set us free Once and for all on Calv'ry's hill Love and justice shall agree Praise the Lord the price is paid The curse defeated by the Lamb We who once were slaves by birth Sons and daughters now we stand

Verse 3

O well of joy is mine to drink
For my Lord has conquered death
Victorious forevermore
The ancient foe is laid to rest
Hallelujah Christ is King
Alive and reigning on the throne
Our tongues employed with hymns of praise
Glory be to God alone

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How Deep the Father's Love For Us

How deep the Father's love for us, How vast beyond all measure, That He should give His only Son To make a wretch His treasure.

How great the pain of searing loss -The Father turns His face away, As wounds which mar the Chosen One Bring many sons to glory.

Behold the man upon a cross, My sin upon His shoulders; Ashamed, I hear my mocking voice Call out among the scoffers.

It was my sin that held Him there
Until it was accomplished;
His dying breath has brought me life I know that it is finished.

I will not boast in anything, No gifts, no power, no wisdom; But I will boast in Jesus Christ, His death and resurrection.

Why should I gain from His reward? I cannot give an answer
But this I know with all my heart
His wounds have paid my ransom.

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