

Psalm 23

God is...

"The Lord is my Shepherd, I lack nothing. He makes me lie down in green pastures, He leads me beside quiet waters, He refreshes my soul. He guides me along the right paths for His name's sake. Even though I walk through the darkest valley, I will fear no evil, for You are with me; Your rod and Your staff, they comfort me. You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies. You anoint my head with oil; my cup overflows. Surely goodness and love will follow me all the days of my life, and I will dwell in the house of the Lord forever."

[Psalm 23]

A man after God's own heart

"You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies; you anoint my head with oil; my cup overflows. Surely goodness and mercy will follow me all the days of my life, and I will dwell in the house of the Lord forever."

[Psalm 23:5-6]

"You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies..."

[Psalm 23:5]

1. God is my defender

Jehovah - Nissi

"But the Lord is faithful, and he will strengthen you and protect you from the evil one."

[2 Thessalonians 3:3]

You don't win the battles by fighting against the lies of the enemy,
You win the battles by feasting on the TRUTHS of GOD'S WORD.

"...You anoint my head with oil; my cup overflows."

[Psalm 23:5]

2. God is my sanctifier

"But you are a chosen people, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, God's special possession, that you may declare the praises of him who called you out of darkness into his wonderful light."

[1 Peter 2:9]

"Surely goodness and mercy will follow me all the days of my life, and I will dwell in the house of the Lord forever."

[Psalm 23:6]

3. God is present

Jehovah - Shammah

God has said, "Never will I leave you; never will I forsake you." So we say with confidence, "The Lord is my helper; I will not be afraid. What can man do to me?"

[Hebrews 13:5-6]

"GOODNESS supplies our needs; and MERCY blots out our sins!"

- Press into God's word
- Practice prayer & solitude
- Participate in community