Sermon Discussion Questions

For small group leaders or for a whole small group to use

"Living with the Lord as Our Shepherd" (Psalm 23), August 10, 2025 Drew Hunter

Sermon Overview

Main Idea

Since the Lord is our shepherd, we can be confident in his presence, provision, and protection forever.

Psalm 23 gives us hope because it shows how God cares for us in all seasons of life, straight through to our eternal future. This Psalm is for every season of life, every day, and every moment.

Sermon Outline

- 1. He Restores Us in the Meadow (vs 1-3a)
- 2. He Leads Us on Right Paths (vs 3b)
- 3. He Protects Us Through the Valley (vs 4)
- 4. He Honors Us with a Feast (vs 5)
- 5. He Welcomes Us into His Home (vs 6)

Quotations:

"God doesn't lead us to the valley, but through it." - Drew Hunter

"Jesus said, 'I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep.' He did this to protect us from judgment and to provide for our eternal life, and to be with us forever. He sacrificed so we could have his presence, his provision, and his protection." – Drew Hunter

Discussion Questions

Read the Scripture Text (if the text is shorter, consider reading it together several times).

Initial Engagement

- What is the main idea of the text, or what did the sermon focus on? (See above to review the main point)
- What insight from the text or sermon stood out to you most, and why? (Encourage several people to share)

Deeper Reflection on the Meaning and Implications

- 1. Since God is our Shepherd, give some examples of how He led you through a difficult time in the past. How did He provide for you or protect you? How does this give you hope for future hardships? During seasons of blessing, do you tend to neglect God rather than recognize that he is providing for you? How can you protect against this type of attitude during easy times in life?
- 2. Sometimes the Lord leads us through dark times, when we feel vulnerable or scared. According to Ps 23, how can we endure hardships without fear or worry? What confidence do we have? Consider memorizing Ps 23 so you will have it readily available when needed for encouragement.
- 3. Ps 23:6, "Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life, and <u>I shall dwell in the house of the LORD forever</u>." What excites you the most when you think about dwelling with Lord in His house forever? How does this impact how you live now?

Final Response



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• What is one thing you want to remember or do in light of this sermon or discussion?