

“The LORD is my shepherd”

Psalm 23:1

“The LORD is my shepherd, I
lack nothing.” NIV

“The LORD is my shepherd; I
shall not want.” ESV

Who is the LORD?

- Creator God (He's got resources)
 - Rich in love and mercy
 - Knows what's best
- (In a word, He's good: Nahum 1:7, among many others)

How can you know if the
LORD is your shepherd?
(How can you know if you're
one of the LORD's sheep?)

“Truly, truly, I say to you, he who does not enter the sheepfold by the door but climbs in by another way, that man is a thief and a robber. ² But he who enters by the door is the shepherd of the sheep. ³ To him the gatekeeper opens. The sheep hear his voice, and he calls his own sheep by name and leads them out. ⁴ When he has brought out all his own, he goes before them, and the sheep follow him, for they know his voice. ⁵ A stranger they will not follow, but they will flee from him, for they do not know the voice of strangers.”

How can you know if the
LORD is your shepherd?

- You hear and know His voice
 - He leads, you follow

“Truly, truly, I say to you, I am the door of the sheep. ⁸ All who came before me are thieves and robbers, but the sheep did not listen to them. ⁹ I am the door. If anyone enters by me, he will be saved and will go in and out and find pasture. ¹⁰ The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy. I came that they may have life and have it abundantly. ¹¹ I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep. ¹² 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. ¹³ He flees because he is a hired hand and cares nothing for the sheep. ¹⁴ I am the good shepherd. I know my own and my own know me, ¹⁵ just as the Father knows me and I know the Father; and I lay down my life for the sheep.”

How can you know if the LORD is your shepherd?

- You hear and know His voice
 - He leads, you follow
- You enter through Him(Jesus)

“So the Jews gathered around him and said to him, “How long will you keep us in suspense? If you are the Christ, tell us plainly.”²⁵ Jesus answered them, “I told you, and you do not believe. The works that I do in my Father's name bear witness about me,²⁶ but you do not believe because you are not among my sheep.²⁷ My sheep hear my voice, and I know them, and they follow me.²⁸ I give them eternal life, and they will never perish, and no one will snatch them out of my hand.²⁹ My Father, who has given them to me, is greater than all, and no one is able to snatch them out of the Father's hand.³⁰ I and the Father are one.””

**How can you know if the
LORD is your shepherd?**

- You hear and know His voice
 - He leads, you follow
- You enter the pasture through Him
(You believe in Jesus)

“³⁶ When he saw the crowds, he had compassion for them, because they were harassed and helpless, like sheep without a shepherd.”

-Matthew 9:36

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lack nothing.”

Lack nothing? Really?

“The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy. I came that they may have life and have it abundantly.” - Jesus in John 10:10

Lack nothing? Really?

“¹⁰ I rejoiced in the Lord greatly that now at length you have revived your concern for me. You were indeed concerned for me, but you had no opportunity. ¹¹ Not that I am speaking of being in need, for I have learned in whatever situation I am to be content. ¹² I know how to be brought low, and I know how to abound. In any and every circumstance, I have learned the secret of facing plenty and hunger, abundance and need. ¹³ I can do all things through him who strengthens me.”

-Paul in PRISON Philippians 4:10-13

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GOOD SHEPHERD!

