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**Psalm**  
**23**

— 23<sup>rd</sup> Psalm

# Top of the Pops





The Lord is my shepherd,  
I shall not want.  
He makes me lie down in green pastures.  
He leads me beside still waters;  
He restores my soul.  
He leads me in paths of righteousness  
for His name's sake.  
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and I shall dwell in the house of the Lord  
Forever.



The Lord is my shepherd,



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**I shall not want.**

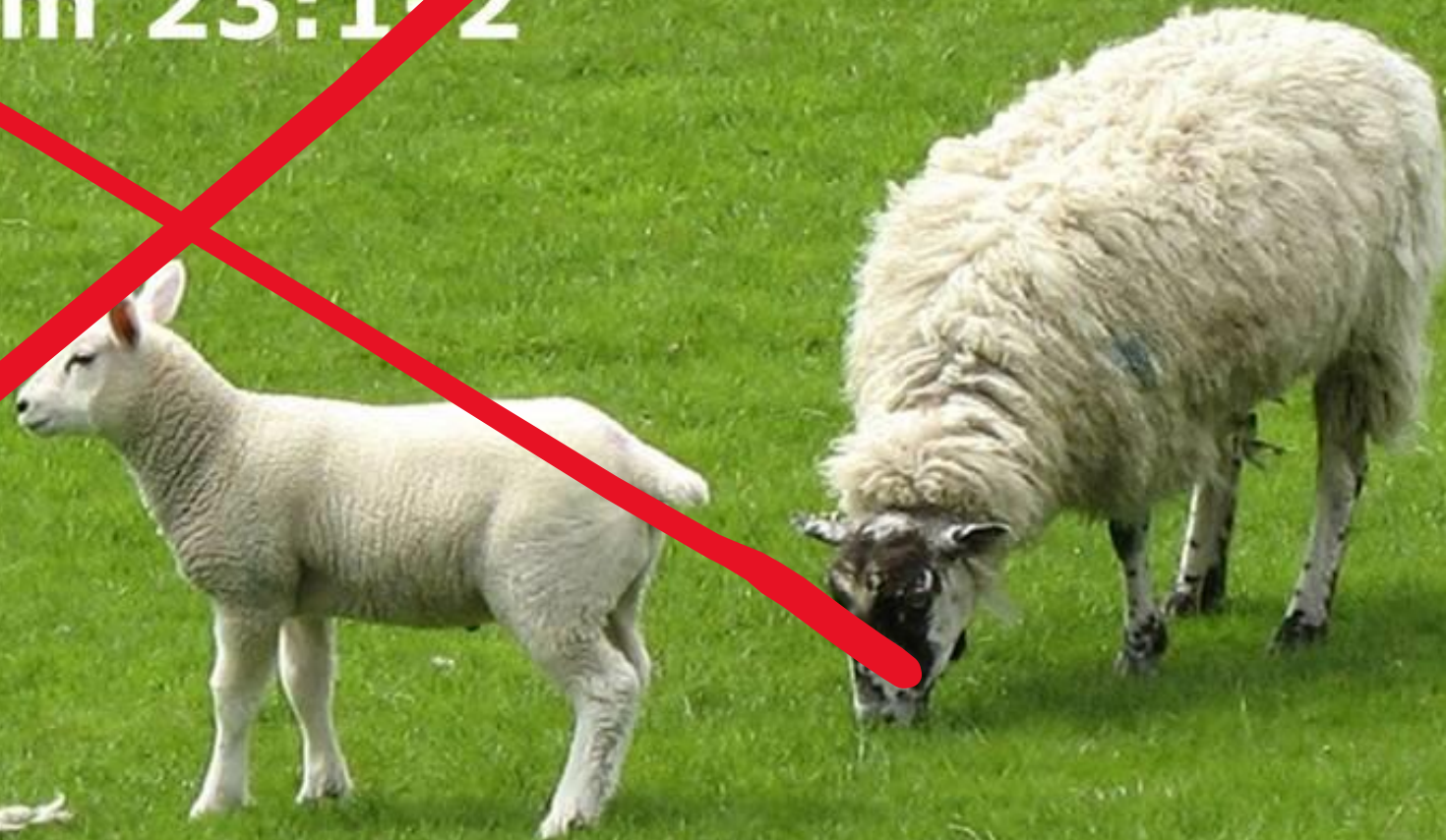
**WHY ?**

**He makes me lie down in green pastures.**



The LORD is my shepherd, I lack nothing.  
He makes me lie down in green pastures,  
he leads me beside quiet waters.

**Psalm 23:1-2**







less like this  
and more like this



MEDITERRANEAN  
SEA

JERUSALEM

JUDEAN WILDERNESS

DEAD SEA

air hits the side of a hill or the side  
of a rock







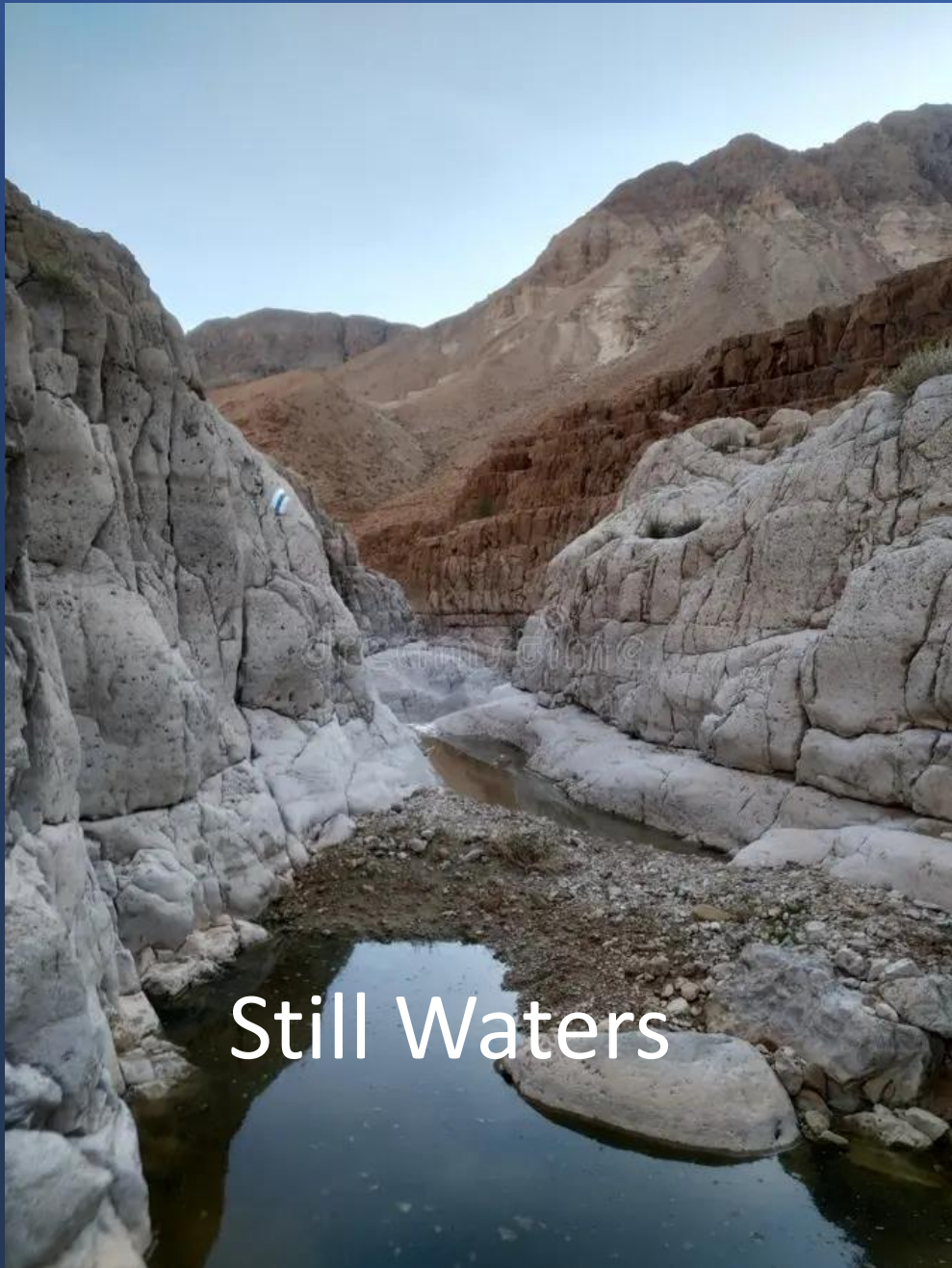
Green Pastures – Supplying our needs, not our wants



A landscape photograph showing a river or stream winding through a field of tall, golden-brown grasses. The water is calm and reflects the sky. In the background, there are green trees under a blue sky with light clouds. A large, thick red 'X' is drawn across the entire image. A white text box with black borders is positioned in the upper right quadrant.

He leads me beside still waters;





Still Waters

He leads me beside still waters;  
He restores my soul.



mediterranean  
still waters



A photograph of a dirt path in a forest. In the center, a white wooden cross stands on the path. Several people are walking away from the camera on the path. A large red 'X' is drawn over the entire image. In the foreground, the silhouette of a person is visible, looking towards the path. A white text box is overlaid on the right side of the image.

He leads me in paths of righteousness



A person is walking away from the camera on a wide, sandy dune. The dune is a light tan color and has some faint tracks or paths on its surface. The person is wearing a striped shirt and blue jeans. In the background, there are more rolling sand dunes under a heavy, grey, overcast sky. The overall scene is desolate and vast.

**He leads me in paths of righteousness**

**that he will lead us on to the right  
paths the**



A woman wearing a white headscarf and a black dress is leading a flock of sheep on a rocky, dirt path. She is holding a wooden staff in her right hand. The sheep are of various colors, including white, black, and brown. The background shows a hilly, arid landscape under a cloudy sky.

**He leads me in paths of righteousness  
for His name's sake.**



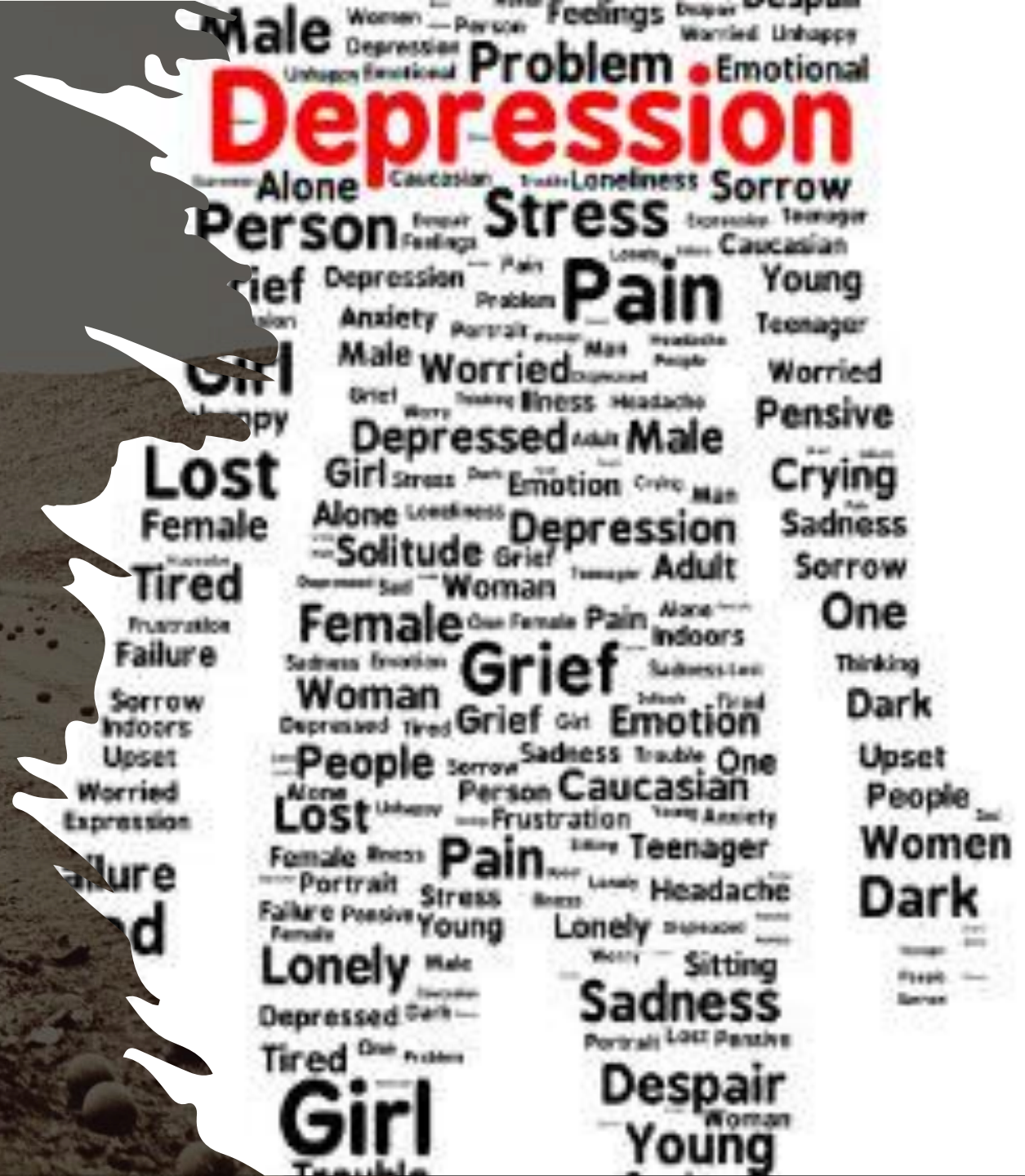


Even though I walk through the  
valley of the shadow of death,



Even though I walk through

I fear no evil;





A shepherd's rod and staff are shown against a background of a shepherd with sheep. The rod is short and thick, while the staff is long and thin with a hook at the top.

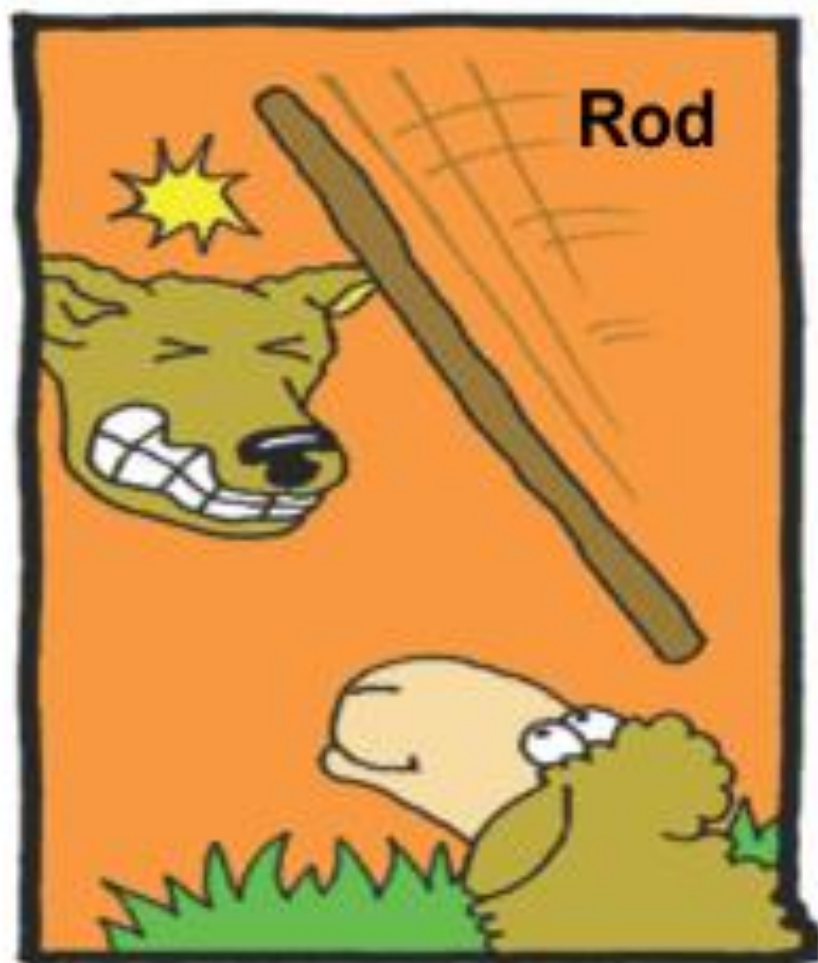
**ROD:**  
Relatively  
short, heavy  
club-like  
device.

**STAFF:**  
Longer and  
thinner, with a  
hook or crook  
at one end.

**I fear no evil; for You are with me;  
Your rod and Your staff, they comfort me.**

Psalm 23:4

"Yea, though I walk through the valley  
of the shadow of death,  
I will fear no evil: for thou art with me;  
thy rod and thy staff they comfort me"



**Repel**

John 14:26

"But the Comforter, which is the Holy Ghost,  
whom the Father will send in my name, he shall  
teach you all things, and bring all things to your  
remembrance, whatsoever I have said unto you"



**Attract**





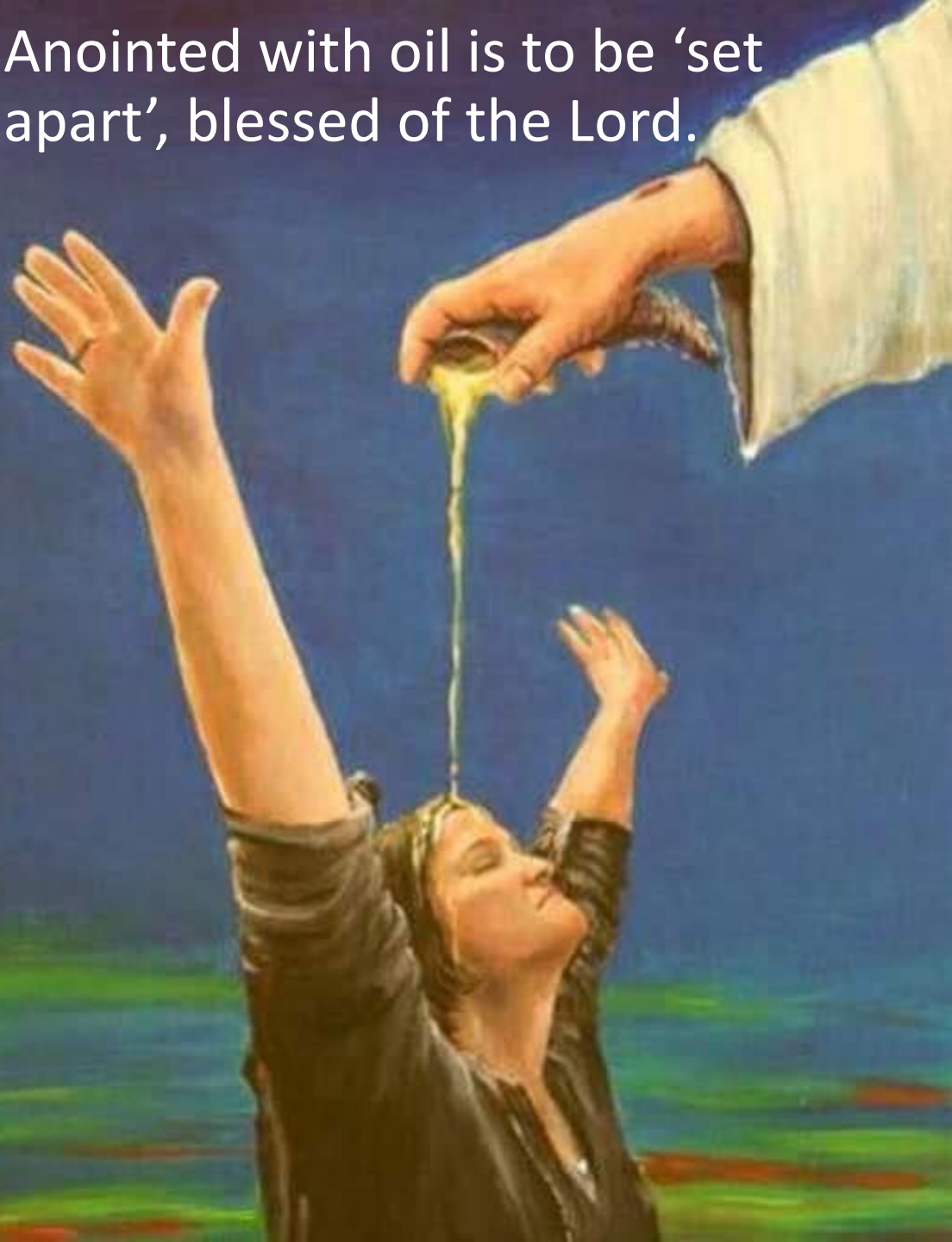
Psalm 23:5

**You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies;**

Don't give the enemy a seat at your table!



- Anointed with oil is to be 'set apart', blessed of the Lord.



- Cup overflows is endless provision in the lord

**You have anointed my head with oil;  
My cup overflows.**



# Goodness & Mercy!



Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me  
all the days of my life;



Goodness and mercy  
will follow me ... follow  
'what you do'





A photograph of a forest path. In the foreground, a large, weathered log lies horizontally on the ground, partially covered in moss. The path is dirt and covered with fallen leaves and pine needles. In the background, there are tall trees and dense green foliage.

What goodness and  
mercy 'legacy' will  
follow you?

Lets recap...

**The Lord is my shepherd,  
I shall not want.**

**He makes me lie down in green pastures.**

**He leads me beside still waters;**

**He restores my soul.**

**He leads me in paths of righteousness  
for His name's sake.**

**Even though I walk through the  
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**I fear no evil; for You are with me;**

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**You have anointed my head with oil;**

**My cup overflows.**

**Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me  
all the days of my life;**



...and I will dwell  
in the house  
of the **LORD**  
forever.

*Psalms 23:6*



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## — Challenges

Don't choose a path and  
then blame him!

.. Follow where he leads.

Don't ask God to do  
it for you

..Ask God to do it  
with you.

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