**“My All-Sufficient Shepherd and LORD”**

Text - Psalm 23:1-6

Topic – “The LORD is My Shepherd”

Series – Psalm 23 “Coronavirus” Series

1. Psalm 22 is the psalm of the Shepherd.

B. Psalm 23 is The Psalm.

1. God describes Himself as the Shepherd of . (Psalm 80:1; Psalm 95:7; Isaiah 40:11)
2. The of Israel were to be shepherds of Israel. (2 Samuel 5:2)
3. Zechariah prophesied the Messiah would be a who would be killed and His sheep scattered. (Zechariah 13:7)
4. Jesus identified Himself as the wounded and shepherd. (Mark 14:27)

**Psalm 23:1 – “The LORD** *[Jehovah; Eternal God]* ***is* my shepherd** *[herdman; pastor]***; I shall not want** *[lack; be lacking; become empty]***.”**

**I. The of the Shepherd** (and his relationship with the sheep) **(23:1)**

**Two-manner of Shepherds (John 10:3-13)**

1. The Shepherd – He does not the sheep. (John 10:12-13)
2. The Shepherd – He His sheep. (John 10:3, 4, 11)
3. The “Door of the sheep” (John 10:3-4, 7, 9)
4. The “Good Shepherd” is: ; ; Willing to His life. (John 10:11, 14-15)
5. Who is this shepherd? - “The *is* my shepherd” (Psalm 23:1a)
6. “Jehovah Adonia” – *\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_*
7. Lit. – “ *[Yahweh]*, the LORD”
8. Israel’s God
9. The LORD . (Psalm 19:1; 97:6)

**II. The of the Sheep** (and their relationship with the shepherd)

**Two-manner of Sheep**

1. Sheep that do *not* know the of the shepherd. (John 10)
2. Sheep that can say, *“The LORD is* *me.”* (Psalm 23:1a)

John 10:27 - 27  My sheep *[followers]* hear *[and obey]* my voice, and I know them *[John 10:14]*, and they follow me: *[John 10:3]*

1. They the Words (“*voice*”) of the Shepherd. (10:27a)
2. They their shepherd and He knows them. (10:14, 27b)
3. They His voice. - *“they follow me”* (10:4, 27c)

**III. The** *(Loving Care)* **of the Shepherd: His sheep “shall not ”** (Psalm 23:1b)

1. The of sheep gives us insight into what they “want.”
2. Sheep are by nature: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
3. A shepherd needs to: Think for his sheep. Protect his sheep.

Guard his sheep. Tend to their bruises and bind up their wounds.

1. The sheep never know how well they are or appreciate the vigilant given them by their shepherd.
2. Shepherd’s \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
3. Shepherd’s \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (burdens; responsibilities).
4. Shepherd’s \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ to give his \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ for his sheep.

**Conclusion – Jesus Christ is the model .**

1. Only sheep who belong to the LORD can say, “I shall not want.” (Psalm 23:1)
2. The sheep of the LORD can be at knowing they “will not want.” (Psalm 23:1b)

**John 10:27** - 27  My sheep hear *[and obey]* my voice,

and I know them, and they follow me:

**John 10:28** - 28 And I give unto them eternal life; and they shall never perish, neither shall any man pluck *[snatch]* them out of my hand.

**Who is your shepherd?**