

# Notes:

Sermon Text

Subject

Spiritual "To Do List"  
(things God has shown me today)

*Enter to Worship. Depart to Serve.*

## Psalm 23

Much has been written devotionally on this Psalm. Hundreds of books have been published, but it has never been exhausted nor ever will be. The assurance of the first three verses belong to every believer on the Lord Jesus. He is individually the Shepherd and each child of God can say, "Jehovah is my Shepherd, the Shepherd who never fails, who never changeth, the Jehovah-jireh--the LORD who provides. He gives pasture, peace and rest, with the never failing waters, the supply of His Spirit. Then He restoreth after failure and leads in paths of righteousness for His Name's sake.

And here is the comfort for all earthly circumstances, no matter where the path may be. Goodness and mercy are in store for all His sheep and the blessed goal to be with Him, not in an earthly house, where yet His glory is to dwell visibly, but in the Father's house with its many mansions.

A good way to read this Psalm is by asking the question, "What shall I not want?"

I shall not want -

- Rest—for He makes me to lie down in green pastures.
- Drink—for He leadeth me beside the still waters.
- Forgiveness—for He restoreth my soul.
- Guidance—for He leadeth me in the paths of righteousness
- Companionship—for Thou art with me.
- Comfort—for Thy rod and Thy staff comfort me.
- Food—for Thou preparest a table before me.
- Victory—in the presence of mine enemies.
- Joy—Thou anointest my head with oil.
- Overrunning joy—for my cup runneth over.
- Everything in time—for goodness and mercy shall follow me.
- Everything in eternity—for I shall dwell in the house of the LORD forever.

—Arno Clement Gaebelain, *The Annotated Bible*



