

When You Need Depth & Strength

Psalm 23*

The twenty-third psalm is the most beloved of the 150 psalms in the Psalter and possibly the best-loved (and best-known) chapter in the entire Bible. The great Baptist preacher Charles Haddon Spurgeon called it “the pearl of psalms.” Nineteenth-century preacher and commentator J. J. Stewart Perowne observed that “there is no psalm in which the absence of all doubt, misgiving, fear [and] anxiety is so remarkable.” Alexander Maclaren said that “the world could spare many a large book better than this sunny little psalm. It has dried many tears and supplied the mold into which many hearts have poured their peaceful faith.”²

This psalm is a needed correction and encouragement for ‘all the days of our lives.’

The LORD our Shepherd (1-3)

The LORD our Companion and Comforter (4)

The LORD our Friend (5-6)

*These notes are prayerfully prepared to aid, not replace, your personal study of God’s Word.

² Boice, J. M. (2005). *Psalms* (Pbk. ed.) (207). Grand Rapids, Mich.: Baker Books.