

## JULIA'S INTERPRETATION OF PSALM 23

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1. The Lord is my Shepherd, I will not lack (be empty, do without).
2. In pastures of fresh grass, he causes me to lie down; to waters of rest he guides me (helps me along, leads carefully).
3. He restores (brings back to ideal condition) my soul (my life, my self); in paths of righteousness (rightness, justness, justice), he leads me (guides me, helps me along) for the sake of his name.
4. Even when I walk in a valley of deep shadow (death shadow, deep darkness), I will not fear evil (distress, calamity, misery, adversity, injury, wrong) – for you are with me; your rod and your staff comfort (console) me.
5. You arrange a table in front of me, in the sight of those who are hostile (in a state of conflict); you anoint my head in oil, my cup overflows (is saturated, over-abundant).
6. Surely good and steadfast love (loving-kindness) will pursue me all the days of my life; and I will dwell (remain, sit) in the house of the Lord forever (all of my days).

### The Shepherd Provides

- Provides Ideal Conditions
- Provides Life
- Provides Guidance

### The Shepherd Protects

### The Shepherd Pursues