

Psalms

Worship regulated by the Word – Christ in the Psalms

Lesson 4: Psalm 23- *Satisfied with the Shepherd-King!* – Part 2

Theme: Two comforting images of God so that you would *cultivate your communion with and pursue your joy* in Him.

1. My Shepherd who leads me (vv. 1-4)

- a. The satisfaction of the good Shepherd (vv. 1-2)
- b. The salvation of the good Shepherd (v. 3)
- c. The security of the good Shepherd (v. 4)

2. My royal Host who feeds me (vv. 5-6)

- a. The providence of the victorious King (v. 5)
- b. The peace of the victorious King (v. 6)

Observations:

- 1. Verses 5-6 present God as *the royal Host* who richly provides for His people.
- 2. Verses 5-6 proclaim *His grace in saving* His people and *His victory in conquering* all His and our enemies.
- 3. “The able Protector (verse 4) is also the abundant Provider (verses 5-6).”

Some implications of Psalm 23:

- 1. *Verse 1:* Know His name! (Psalm 9:10)
- 2. *Verses 1-4:* This God has drawn near to us in Jesus Christ. (John 1:18, 8:58; Heb. 1:1-2)
Christ is our Prophet.
- 3. *Verse 4-5:* Draw near to your God! (Hebrews 10:19-23)
Christ is our Priest.
- 4. *Verse 5-6:* The enemies are defeated. Trust in the Lord Jesus Christ! (Colossians 2:13-15)
Christ is our King.