

## The Lord Is My Shepherd 7

**We are learning what it means to have the Lord as our shepherd...**

*Psalm 23*

*1 The LORD is my shepherd, I shall not be in want. 2 He makes me lie down in green pastures, he leads me beside quiet waters, 3 he restores my soul. He guides me in paths of righteousness for his name's sake. 4 Even though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil, for you are with me; your rod and your staff, they comfort me. 5 You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies. You anoint my head with oil; my cup overflows. 6 Surely goodness and love will follow me all the days of my life, and I will dwell in the house of the LORD forever.*

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**The staff in Psalm 23 deals with discipline, correction, rescue, and salvation.**

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Hebrews 12:5-6

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**The Lord Punishes everyone he accepts as a son...**

Hebrews 12:6

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**The rod and the staff show us the perfect balance of our Lord the Good Shepherd.**

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**How do I know if I am being Disciplined or Punished?**

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**The Good Shepherd uses what He needs to get us where we need to be...**

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*Vs.4 Even though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil, for you are with me; your rod and your staff, they comfort me.*