



This month I didn't think I had anything to blog about. Personally, August 2021 has been a very sensitive month, between family and friends being critically ill or their time on earth being ended.

But God in his infinite wisdom inspired David to write Ps 23:

1 The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want.

2 He maketh me to lie down in green pastures: he leadeth me beside the still waters.

3 He restoreth my soul: he leadeth me in the paths of righteousness for his name's sake.

4 Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil: for thou art with me; thy rod and thy staff they comfort me.

5 Thou preparest a table before me in the presence of mine enemies: thou anointest my head with oil; my cup runneth over.

6 Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life: and I will dwell in the house of the Lord for ever.

I envision Gods involvement in our life before, during and after:

- in the womb, he's God - Creator
- from cradle to coffin, he's God - Shepherd
- after our life has ended, he's God - Judge

We have absolutely no say regarding our creation, birth or death date. But what happens once we enter the earth and the judgement after earth is totally on us, **TOTALLY!**

So today I encourage you to ask yourself the following;

1. Is the Lord your Shepherd? Or are you in want?
2. Are you lying in green pastures (prosperity)?
Are you lead by still waters (peace)?
3. Does God restore your soul? Are you a child of God choosing to live holy as he is holy?
4. Do you realize as each day passes we are walking thru the valley and the shadow of death? Do you fear evil? Or does God's rod (to punishe) and staff (to support) comfort you?
5. Has God prepared a table before you in the presence of your enemies? Has God anointed you with oil (gift in the Holy Spirit)? Is your cup running over?
6. Is goodness and mercy following you everyday? Will you dwell in the house of the Lord forever?

As you read through each question, did you answer YES to every question? Are you able to answer yes for every person in your family?

If not, James 4:14 states;

Whereas ye know not what *shall be* on the morrow. For what *is* your life? It is even a vapour, that appeareth for a little time, and then vanisheth away.

Our earthly bodies will be removed from the earth, never to be seen again, on a date we know not. But what's important is for God to be or become our Shepherd. Are you concerned?

So let us all be about God's business encouraging all who are lost to a better way of life now and for eternity.

This Month Challenge:
Say Yes To Life and No To Death!