

MAY 24th, 2020

## PSALM 23 - He is my Shepherd

**SCRIPTURE:** [Psalm 23:1-2](#) - *"The Lord is my Shepherd. I shall not want."*

**STORY VIDEO:** [R/Kids Story Time- Psalm 23](#)

**WORSHIP SONG:** [Psalm Song](#)

**MAIN TAKEAWAY:** The book of Psalms in the Bible is a book of songs written to God and about God. Psalm 23:1-2 tells us that God is our Shepherd- he cares for us and guides us like a shepherd cares for and guides sheep.

**FAMILY PRAYER:** Dear God, thank You that You are a Good Shepherd who takes care of us, Your sheep. Thank you for loving us and guiding us even when we don't know where we're going. Help us trust and love you more. Amen!

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### 0 - 18 MONTHS

**ACTIVITY:** Find something soft, like a blanket or a stuffed sheep. Hold your baby as they snuggle the soft object. Tell them that God is holding them and caring for them like a shepherd cares for his sheep.

**SERVICE PROJECT:** Pray and ask God to bring to mind someone who would be blessed by hearing from you and seeing your baby over the phone. Pray for that person, and call them and tell them you prayed for them! Tell your baby that they are a blessing to others and to God.

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### 18 MONTHS - 3 YEARS

**ACTIVITY:** Play a "sheep" round-up game! Grab cotton balls, soft toys, or anything else soft and small. In an open area, throw them all up in the air and tell your child to gather them all up. Demonstrate how to do this first and be silly and fun with it (say, "I'm gonna get you!" or "Come here little sheep!") Allow your child to take turns with you throwing all the animals in the air and gathering them up. Tell them that God is our Shepherd and He cares for us while hugging the soft items.

**SERVICE PROJECT:** Pray and ask God to bring to mind someone who would be blessed by hearing from you and seeing your child over the phone. Pray for that person, and call them and tell them you prayed for them! Tell your child that they are a blessing to others and to God.

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### 3 - 5 YEARS

**ACTIVITY:** Play a sheep round-up game! Grab a few of your child's toys (animals if you have them) and hide them around the house. When you're done, give them 10 seconds to round up as many of the toys as they can find. Then, have them hide the animals for you to find! Tell them that God is our Shepherd, and a Shepherd always goes and finds his sheep wherever they are. God cares for us even more than that!

**SERVICE PROJECT:** Pray and ask God to bring to mind someone who would be blessed by hearing from you and seeing your child over the phone. Pray for the person together, and allow your child to assist you with calling them. Tell the person you prayed for them together!

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### KINDERGARTEN-4TH GRADE

**ACTIVITY:** Stand in a circle as a family or stand face to face with your child and play a game of Psalm 23 memory catch! Using a foam ball or other soft object, toss it back and forth as the person holding the object says one word of this week's verse (Psalm 23:1-2; The Lord is My Shepherd. I shall not want.) See how much of the verse you can memorize! Remind your child that the purpose of memorizing scripture is for it to help us love Jesus and others more.

**QUESTION OF THE WEEK:** Ask your child, "In what ways have you seen God guiding you and caring for you in your life?" After they finish answering, let them know your answer. Allow space and time for any further questions that come up!

**SERVICE PROJECT:** Pray with your child and ask God to bring to mind someone who would be blessed by hearing from them today. Encourage your child to quiet their heart and mind and see what God has to say to them. Reassure them that there isn't any right or wrong answer to finding someone to bless- we all need to learn how to hear God's voice better! Pray for that person with your child. Using Facebook Messenger Kids or any other video conferencing tool, call the person that came to your child's mind and let them know you prayed for them!

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### QUESTIONS? NEED RESOURCES/PRAYER?



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