HELLO my name is

Week 7 Notes 5.31.2020 Yahweh Rohi Psalm 23, John 10:2-4,10-16

The Lord, My Shepherd: Yahweh Rohi

Well, now what are we supposed to do?

I. A Good Shepherd brings Contentment in the Midst of Today's Responsibilities (vs 1-3a)

The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want. He makes me lie down in green pastures. He leads me beside still waters. He restores my soul.

- A. He brings Peace where we were once hurried
- B. He brings Sustenance where we were once empty
- C. He brings Health where we were once worn

WHEN THE LORD IS OUR SHEPHERD
WE WORK FROM A PLACE OF REST
RATHER THAN DESPERATELY NEEDING REST FROM OUR WORK

II. A Good Shepherd gives Confidence in Tomorrow's Decisions (vs 3b-4)

He leads me in paths of righteousness for his name's sake.

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.

- A. He gives His Protection
- B. He gives His Correction
- C. He gives His Compassion

WHEN THE LORD IS OUR SHEPHERD

WE HAVE THE PROMISE OF BEING LED WITH CARE

RATHER THAN HAVING TO CHOOSE BETWEEN WALKING RECKLESSLY

OR BEING PARALYZED FROM PANIC.

III. A Good Shepherd Imparts a Calling in our Current Circumstances (vs 5)

You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies; you anoint my head with oil; my cup overflows.

- A. He Imparts His Blessing
- B. He Imparts His Healing
- C. He Imparts His Wholeness

WHEN THE LORD IS OUR SHEPHERD WE OPERATE IN THE PROMISE OF ABUNDANCE RATHER THAN THE FEAR OF SCARCITY

IV. A Good Shepherd Creates Clarity in our Eternal Position (vs 6)

Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life, and I shall dwell in the house of the Lord forever.

- A. He Creates Completeness
- B. He Creates Clarity
- C. He Creates Certainty

WHEN THE LORD IS OUR SHEPHERD WE NOT ONLY HAVE THE CONFIDENCE IN HOW TO WALK BUT CLARITY IN WHERE WE'RE GOING

V. The Good Shepherd Named Jesus (Jn 10:2-4; 10-16)

- A. He Calls us by name
 - exactly where we are today
- B. He Leads us out
 - through whatever we will face tomorrow
- C. He Goes before us
 - in the midst of our current circumstances
- D. He Laid down his life for us
 - so we can know with certainty that we will live with him for eternity



Small Group Questions



What do you know about sheep? How might that correlate to how we behave in life and what we do?

Read Psalm 23. What sticks out to you about what it means that God is our shepherd?

A good shepherd provides contentment, confidence, calling, and clarity. How does the name of God, Yahweh Rohi, the Lord, our Shepherd speak to you right now?

Read John 10:10-11. What fuller picture do you find that we have abundant, full, new and real life in the context that Jesus is the good shepherd?