**My Shepherd** *(Series Graphic)*

(Psalm 23:1)

“The **Lord** is my **shepherd**…”

Part 1: **The Good Shepherd**

Part 2: **My Shepherd: Provides**

(Psalm 23:1-3)

“The Lord is my shepherd, I lack nothing. He makes me lie down in green pastures, he leads me beside quiet waters, he refreshes my soul. He guides me along the right paths for his name’s sake.”

**My Shepherd: Protects**

(Psalm 23:4-5)

“Even though I walk through the darkest valley, I will fear no evil, for you are with me; your rod and your staff, they comfort me. You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies. You anoint my head with oil; my cup overflows.”

*“Even though I walk through the darkest valley, I will fear no evil for* ***you are with me****.”*

1. He is with me, **always**.

(John 14:16-18)

“And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another advocate to help you and be with you forever—the Spirit of truth. The world cannot accept him, because is neither sees him nor knows him. But you know him, for he lives with you and will be in you. I will not leave you as orphans; I will come to you.”

*“…your rod and your staff, they comfort me.”*

 When it matters most, my shepherd **shows up**.

(Psalm 23:5)

“You prepare a **table before me** in the presence of my **enemies**.”

1. He is **not afraid** of what makes **me afraid**.

(Romans 8:31)
“What, then, shall we say in response to these things? **If God is for us, who can be against us**?”

(Romans 8:37-39)

“No, in all these things we are more than **conquerors** through **him** who loved us. For I am convinced that neither death nor life, neither angels or demons, neither the present nor the future, nor any powers, neither height nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the **love of God** that is in Christ **Jesus** our Lord.”

(2 Corinthians 12:9)

“But he said to me, “**My grace is sufficient for you**, for my power is made perfect in weakness.”

 Maybe the reason **we are afraid** in the battle is because we’re **not seated** at the **table**.

(Psalm 23:5)

“…You anoint my head with oil; my cup overflows.”

1. He **blesses** my life.

(Jeremiah 1:5)

“Before I formed you in the womb **I knew you**, before you were born I **set you apart**; I **appointed** you as a prophet to the nations.”

(John 10:10)

“The thief comes **only** to steal and kill and destroy; I have come that they may have life, and have it to the **full**.”

Is the **Lord** your shepherd?