

## Psalm 23

The LORD is my shepherd, I shall not be in want.

<sup>2</sup> He makes me lie down in green pastures,  
he leads me beside quiet waters,

<sup>3</sup> he restores my soul.

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

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

<sup>5</sup> You prepare a table before me  
in the presence of my enemies.  
You anoint my head with oil;  
my cup overflows.

<sup>6</sup> Surely goodness and love will follow me  
all the days of my life,  
and I will dwell in the house of the LORD  
for ever.

## **A psalm of God's bounty**

Green pastures, still waters:  
Thank you, my shepherd, that you nurture and guide me.  
My cup overflows with your peace.

Through fear, sickness, death and challenge:  
Thank you, my shepherd, that you comfort and  
encourage me.  
My cup overflows with your hope.

Abundance, life in all its fullness:  
Thank you, my shepherd, that you nourish and bless me.  
My cup overflows with your joy.

Goodness and mercy, and life everlasting:  
Thank you, my shepherd, that you forgive and  
accept me.  
My cup overflows with your grace.

Peace and hope, joy and grace:  
My cup overflows with your love.  
Thank you, my shepherd.

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