

# God is with you

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**PSALM 23 NIV** - (1) The LORD is my shepherd; I shall not want. (2) He makes me to lie down in green pastures; He leads me beside the still waters. (3) He restores my soul; He leads 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 You are with me; Your rod and Your staff, they comfort me. (5) You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies; You anoint my head with oil; My cup runs 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 Forever.

Most of us know what it feels like to be alone in the dark. If you ever had to take the trash out late at night or found yourself stranded alongside a road at night, then you understand – your mind can create hidden shadows or images. Before you know it, the hair on the back of your neck begins to rise.

However, if you turn on a flashlight your fears quickly fade because the light exposes the truth. In **Psalm 23**, David wrote about a time when he was sure that he would lose his life. It was a season when he walked “through the valley of the shadow of death.” (v. 4) Yet, he was not afraid because he knew the One who walked with him had the ability to bring light to the darkest situation and exchange his worry for faith.

When you face challenging times in your life, turn to God's reassuring and never-ending love. When you awake in the middle of the night to the whispers of the enemy's lies – remind yourself that Christ overcame and you will also. Proclaim what you know to be true!

In essence, David said, “Though I walk through the threat of death, I will not fear because my Lord is with me.” God is the greater force and He loves you with an intimate, personal love. Even though life may become dark, His light continues to burn. There is no darkness that can quench the light of God's love. You have no reason to worry. God is with you!

## SCRIPTURE READING

**JOHN 8:12**

## THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

Foundational truth is what causes “Spiritual awakening.”

“A JOURNEY OF THE HEART”