



Call to Worship: "Come, let us sing for joy to the LORD; let us shout aloud to the Rock of our salvation. Let us come before him with thanksgiving and extol him with music and song. For the LORD is the great God, the great King above all gods." Psalm 95:1-3



["My Hope is in the Lord"](#)

["I'm Trusting You"](#)

["Joyful, joyful we adore Thee"](#)



The Good Shepherd ([access full lesson here](#))

Jesus Storybook Bible*: pg. 130-135, from Ps. 51; 2 Sam.7; Psalm 23

Memory Verse: "I keep my eyes always on the Lord. I will not be shaken."
(Psalm 16:8)

Activity: Take turns reading a verse of psalm 23

For each verse ask:

- When have you experienced this? (as a family or individual)
- What did God teach you?
- How does this sound like Jesus?



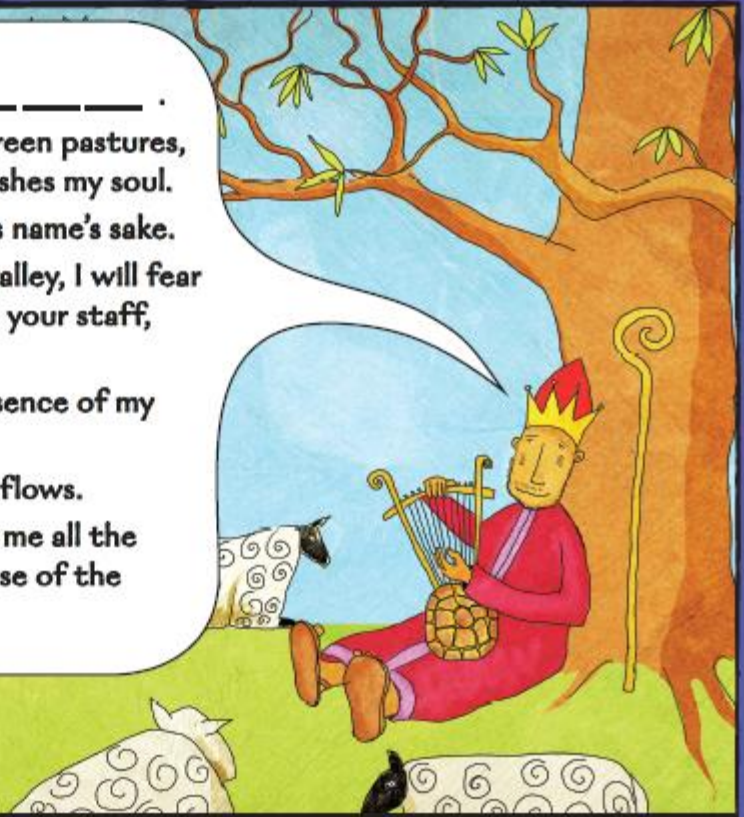
Jesus Connection: David was a shepherd. Jesus is the King, but he is also described as the Good Shepherd. The shepherd serves as protector, physician, provider, leader, and owner. But a shepherd also lays down his life for his sheep to protect them from thieves or wild animals. That is why Jesus, when he was going to the cross to pay the penalty for our sins, said in John 10:14–15, "I am the good shepherd . . . I lay down my life for the sheep."



Prayer: Pray aloud, thanking God for being the best Shepherd there could ever be. Thank him for looking after you and the children the way a shepherd looks after his sheep. Thank him that, as the Shepherd King, Jesus laid down his life for his sheep.



The LORD is my _____ .
 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.
 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.
 Surely your goodness and love will follow me all the
 days of my life, and I will dwell in the house of the
 LORD forever.



Jesus in the Story



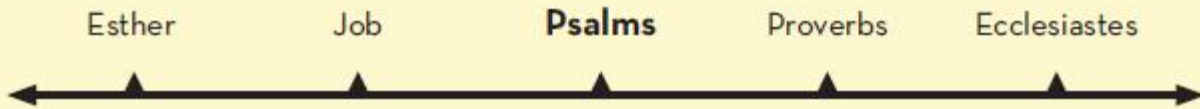
What did you discover about Jesus from this story?



Jesus

A Verse from the Story to Learn at Home

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 (Psalm 16:8)



Notes for parents: From Psalm 23 we learned that we, like sheep, need someone to take care of us and rescue us. Jesus is the Good Shepherd.

Please help your child to memorize the verse and the Scripture reference for next time. Please review with them the place of the book of Psalms, using the diagram above.