Grace Group Discussion Guide

The Lord is my Shepherd pt.2 (The Provision of the Shepherd)
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Psalm 23:1b-2

Synopsis:

In Psalm 23 there are 6 Characteristics of the Shepherd that provide the believer with complete assurance to trust His Person & His Promises in every circumstance of life.

- 1. The Person who is the Shepherd v.1
- 2. The Provision of the Shepherd v.1b-3
 - a. The Shepherd provides rest in the journey

Questions:

Warm Up:

- 1. What is one way that the sermon encouraged, exhorted, challenged, or corrected you?
- 2. What excites you about going through Psalm 23?

Discussion:

- 1. Read Psalm 34:10, what does, "I shall not want" truly mean?
- 2. What are the different ways that a real life Shepherd provides for his sheep?
- 3. Read Matthew 11:28-30, how did Jesus provide rest for his sheep?
- 4. Read Isaiah 41:10, what should Christians fear?

Application:

- 1. What are real life examples of what the Lord provides for his sheep?
- How can you have rest in the middle of financial, marital, family, or life issues?
- 3. Read Romans 8:38-39, How can this truth be implemented into your life in how you trust the Lord?
- 4. Read these following scriptures: How can you persevere in difficult or anxious situations? What could this practically look like?
 - 2 Corinthians 12:9
 - 1 Corinthians 10:13
 - Philippians 4:6-7.
 - Romans 8:28, 29

Prayer Suggestion:

- 1. Pray that God would help each of us to entrust ourselves to him as we face the different circumstances in our lives.
- 2. Pray that the GCV saints would come alongside one another and bear one another's burdens.
- 3. Pray that the harvest feast would be a sweet time of fellowship and thanksgiving to the Lord.
- 4. Pray for the Pastoral Staff and the Elders as they strive to shepherd the body well.

Missions Prayer Requests

For this month, Pray for your Hector and Indira Ortega, our missionaries in Sinaloa Mexico.

The city of the three rivers has a 1,000,000 population. 78.4% of which are Catholic, 8.6% are evangelical Christian and 12.4 % are people without religion.

In Sinaloa Planted has targeted 180+ pastors and leaders that come from a charismatic and Pentecostal background, which are becoming reformed in their understanding of Scripture.

Please pray for their Local sending church in Casa de Dios. Pray for the new leaders they have established, may they remain faithful and live in holiness, being a good example in speech, in conduct, in love, in faith, in purity (1 Tim. 4:12).

Please pray for peace and protection in this transition: These days the violence in Culiacan is escalating, the fights between different factions of the cartel are bringing great instability to the city. State and federal authorities have declared themselves spectators. Only our God can bring peace in the midst of this chaos (Jer. 29:7).

Please pray for the Ortega family: They are looking for a home suited to their family, strategically located, hospitable and suitable for meetings with new believers (Mat. 6:25-34).

Please pray that God would continue to strengthen them to fulfill their calling to preach the gospel in that city. This is an opportunity for advancement and growth in ministry and in our personal lives (2 Tim: 4:5).