

How did Jesus fulfill Psalm 23?

Psalm 23 is a popular psalm for Christians. It is a psalm of King David that portrays God as a benevolent Shepherd who provides for our needs, gives



comfort, guidance and protection. It also highlights that under God's care, we will not want for anything. In God, we will find rest, spiritual restoration and protection from our enemies; He gives us courage and assurance, such that we need not fear any evil, even when facing death. King David wrote Psalm 23 to express his deep trust and reliance in God; he used the shepherd-sheep metaphor to celebrate God as his protector and sustainer through the dangers which he faced in life.

Every fourth Sunday of Easter, the Church celebrates Jesus as the Good Shepherd. Jesus fulfilled Psalm 23 as the Lord who embodies the Good Shepherd, by ultimately laying down His life for His sheep (cf. John 10:11, 15). The focus of Psalm 23 shifts from God as the Good shepherd in the Old Testament to Jesus as the Good Shepherd through His life, death and Resurrection.

Here below is a direct comparison of Psalm 23 with scripture verses from the New Testament:

- (1) The LORD is my shepherd; I shall not want (Ps 23:1): "I am the good shepherd, and I know mine and mine know me" (John 10:14).
- (2) In green pastures he makes me lie down; to still waters he leads me (Ps 23:2): "whoever drinks the water I shall give will never thirst; the water I shall give will become in him a spring of water welling up to eternal life" (Jn 4:14).
- (3) He restores my soul. He guides me along right paths for the sake of his name (Ps 23:3): "Take my yoke upon you and learn from me, for I am meek and humble of heart; and you will find rest for yourselves" (Mt 11:29-30).
- (4) Even 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 comfort me (Ps 23:4): "In the tender mercy of our God, the dawn from on high will visit us, to shine on those who sit in darkness and death's shadow, and to guide our feet into the path of peace" (Luke 1:78-79).
- (5) You set a table before me in front of my enemies; You anoint my head with oil; my cup overflows (Ps23:5): "There appeared to them tongues as of fire, which parted and came to rest on each one of them. And they were all filled with the holy Spirit and began to speak in different tongues, as the Spirit enabled them to proclaim" (Acts 2:3-4).
- (6) Indeed, goodness and mercy will pursue me all the days of my life; I will dwell in the house of the LORD for endless days (Ps 23:6): "In my Father's house there are many dwelling places. If there were not, would I have told you that I am going to prepare a place for you? And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come back again and take you to myself, so that where I am you also may be" (Jn 14:2-3).

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Psalm 23 deeply impacts the lives of Christians today by providing a deep sense of spiritual consolation, comfort and security in times of danger and distress. It also gives a sense of divine guidance which Christians can use to navigate the anxieties and challenges of daily life. Psalm 23 encourages us to have a close relationship with Jesus Christ and to view Him as the Good Shepherd and Provider of all our needs, both physical and spiritual.

PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

Attention Chinese Cursillo members! We will have our monthly Ultreya meeting today.

The Global Federation of Chinese Business Women Atlanta Chapter will be holding the 2026 Annual Trade Show today in Chinatown at 377 New Peachtree Rd, Chamblee 30341. Our church has been given a space to participate and we would like to take this opportunity to promote our church in the greater Chinese community of Atlanta. At the same time, we will need volunteers to be present from 1-4:00pm. If you are able to help, please contact Ticheng or Tian Shih.

This summer, we will be hosting our Summer Camp at the scenic Unicoi State Park and Lodge from July 31st (Friday) to August 2nd (Sunday). The camp theme is "God Calls Us in the Breeze," inviting everyone to quiet their minds amidst the beautiful scenery and listen to God's subtle yet authentic voice. We will pray, share, and experience communal living together, meeting and supporting one another in the Lord. Activities include hiking, fishing, boating, and even a thrilling zipline ride. You can also visit the Helen Georgia Alpine Village, just a 5-minute drive away, to experience the charm of a German town, or try the popular River Tubing activity, enjoying relaxing and enjoyable group time. The camp is conveniently located, approximately a 1.5-hour drive from Atlanta, making it suitable for the whole family. The cost is \$350 for adults and \$320 for children under 12. Spaces are limited, so we sincerely invite you to register and join us in being strengthened and renewed in the Lord's creation. Please register with Daisy.

Holy Land Carvings will come to our church on May 31, 2026. They will bring to us wood carvings for sale which were hand-made in Bethlehem to support Christian families in the Holy Land.

Prayer List: Jasmine Ho, Michael Tan, Bian Meiyi, Chen Shupeng, Lydia Chen, David Wang, Chen Jianxin, Liang Chenjing and Xu Taicheng.

Mass Schedule	Confessions	Bible Study
Sundays 10:30 AM (Chinese)	By Appointment	Wednesdays 10:00 AM (Chinese)
Sundays 2:00 PM (English)		
	Anointing of the Sick	Eucharistic Adoration
Mondays 12:00 PM (English)	First Sundays after 10:30 AM Mass	Sundays 9:00 to 10:00 AM
Tuesdays 12:00 PM (English)	First Fridays after 7:00 PM Mass	
Wednesdays 12:00 PM (Chinese)		
Fridays 12:00 PM (English)		
First Friday 7:00 PM (English)		