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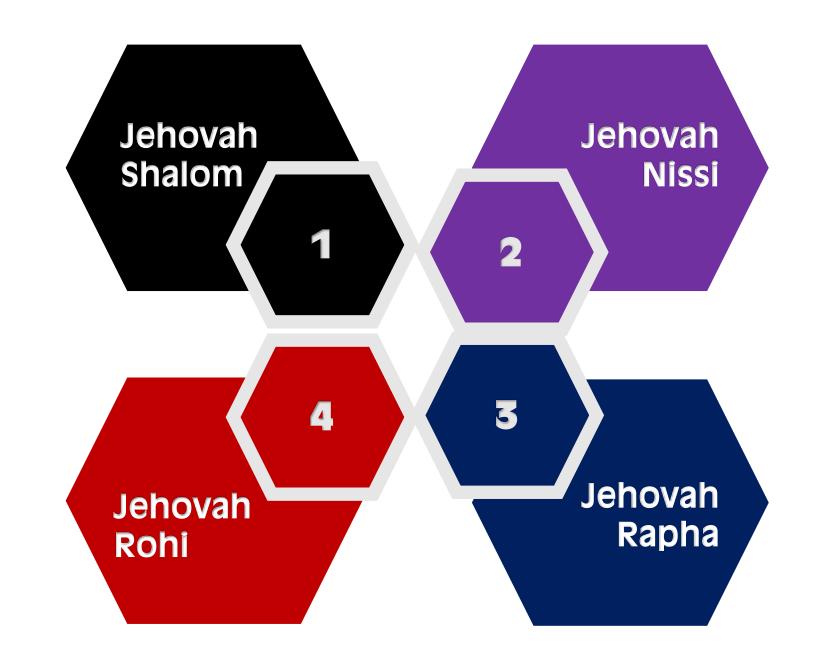


Ya HWeH

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¹The LORD is my Shepherd; I shall not want. ²He makes me to lie down in green pastures; He leads me beside the still waters. ³He restores my soul; He leads me in the paths of righteousness for His name's sake.

Ps 23:1-3

⁴Yea, 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. 5You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies; You anoint my head with oil; My cup runs over.

Ps 23:4-5

Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life; and I will dwell in the house of the LORD forever.

Ps 23:6

MAIN POINTS OF SERMON



The PERSON of Jehovah: The Shepherd



The POSITION of Jehovah: The Leader & Protector



The PROMISE of Jehovah: The Eternal Presence

The PERSON of Jehovah: The Shepherd (v.1)

The LORD (JEHOVAH)

(v.1a)



The LORD (JEHOVAH)

(v.1a)



"I AM WHO I AM"

He is My Shepherd (ROHI)

(v.1b)



He is My Shepherd (ROHI)

(v.1b)



"I am the Good Shepherd. The Good Shepherd lays down His life for the sheep... I am the Good Shepherd; I know My sheep and My sheep know me... as the Father knows Me and I know the Father... and I lay down My life for the sheep" (Jn 10:11, 14, 15)

I Shall Not be in Want



The POSITION of Jehovah: The Leader & Protector

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(vv.2-5b)

(vv.2-3)



(vv.2-3)



i. He makes me to lie down in green pastures (v.2a)

(vv.2-3)



- i. He makes me to lie down in green pastures (v.2a)
- ii. He leads me beside the still waters (v.2b)

Do you see yourself grazing green grass and drinking cool, clear, clean water?

(vv.2-3)



- He makes me to lie down in green pastures (v.2a)
- ii. He leads me beside the still waters (v.2b)
- iii. He restores my soul (v.3a)

(vv.2-3)



- i. He makes me to lie down in green pastures (v.2a)
- ii. He leads me beside the still waters (v.2b)
- iii. He restores my soul (v.3a)
- iv. He leads me in the paths of righteousness (v.3b)

(vv.4-5)



(v.4a)



Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil.

(vv.4-5)



i. He walks with me (v.4b)

(vv.4-5)



- i. He walks with me (v.4b)
- ii. He comforts me (v.4c)

(vv.4-5)



- i. He walks with me (v.4b)
- ii. He comforts me (v.4c)
- iii. He prepares a table before me (v.5a)

Song 2:4

He brought me to the banqueting house, and His banner over me was love.

(vv.4-5)



- i. He walks with me (v.4b)
- ii. He comforts me (v.4c)
- iii. He prepares a table before me (v.5a)
- iv. He anoints my head with oil (v.5b)

The PROMISE of Jehovah: The Eternal Presence

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(vv.5c-6)

My Cup Runs Over

(v.5c)



I'm Pursued by Goodness & Mercy (V.6a)

b

i. The certainty of blessings: surely

I will open for you the windows of heaven and pour out for you a blessing until it overflows.

Mal 3:10

I'm Pursued by Goodness & Mercy (v.6a)

- The certainty of blessings: surely
- ii. The contents of the blessings: goodness & mercy

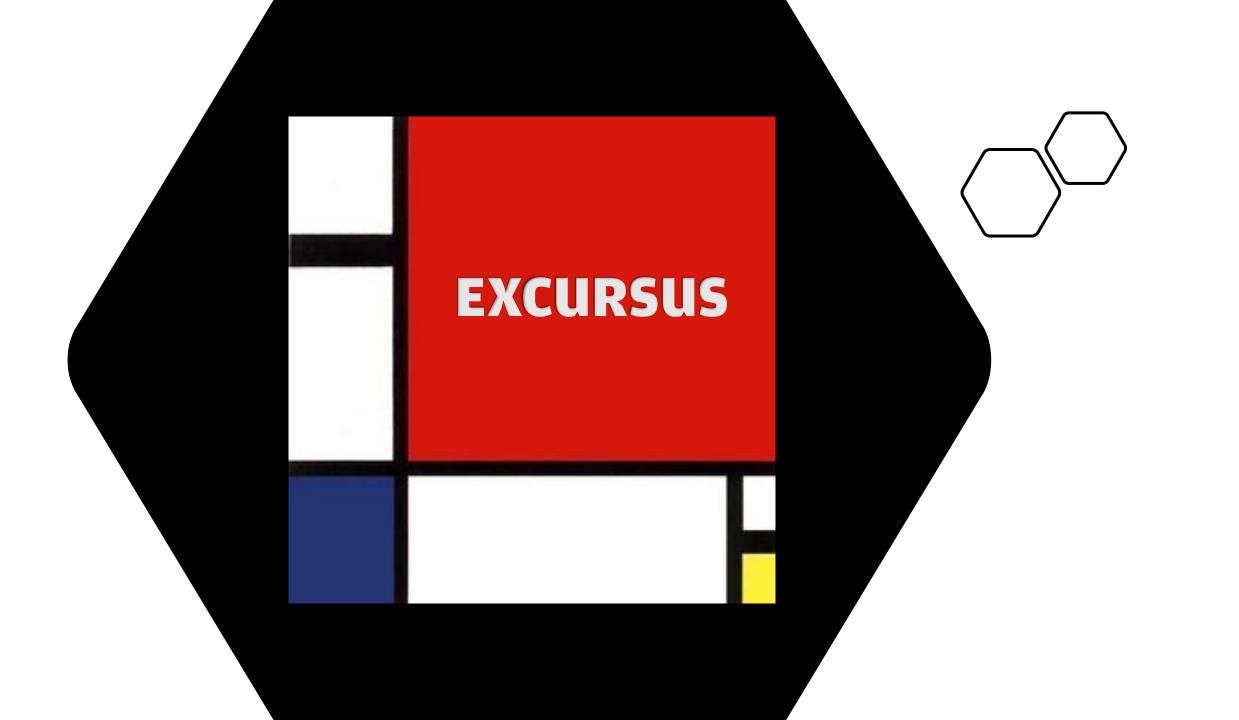
I'm Pursued by Goodness & Mercy

- i. The certainty of blessings: surely
- ii. The contents of the blessings: goodness & mercy
- iii. The continuity of the blessings: forever

I will Dwell in God's House Forever (v.6d)

One thing I have asked from the LORD, that I shall seek: That I may dwell in the house of the LORD all the days of my life.

Ps 27:4



Ps 100:3

Know that the Lord, He is God; it is He who has made us, and not we ourselves; we are His people and the sheep of His pasture.

Ezk 34:11-12

Thus says the Lord God: "Indeed I Myself will search for My sheep and seek them out. As a shepherd seeks out his flock on the day he is among his scattered sheep, so will I seek out My sheep and deliver them."

Jer 31:10

[God] will feed His flock like a shepherd; He will gather the lambs with His arm, and carry them in His bosom.

Jn 10:27-28

My sheep hear My voice... I know them and they follow Me. And I give them eternal life, and they shall never perish; neither shall anyone snatch them out of My hand.

Heb 13:20-21

Our Lord Jesus... that Great Shepherd of the sheep... make you complete in every good work to do His will, working in you what is well pleasing in His sight. 1 Pet 2:25

When the Chief Shepherd [Jesus] appears, you will receive the crown of glory that does not fade away.

CHALLENGE

- 1. Do you know Jesus as the Good Shepherd?
- 2. Are you wounded and hurt by people or circumstances that are rushing at you? Are you confused by what you're going through and want answers?
- 3. Does your cup run over with blessings, or do they come in small trickles, and you wonder why?
- 4. Do you desire to dwell in the House of the Lord and to gaze upon His lovely face?