Five Powerful Words from Psalm 23

Everyone knows the first five words of the 23rd Psalm: "The Lord is my Shepherd..." These words not only introduce the psalm and the God of the Psalm, but are actually powerful words that reveal our relationship with Him. Notice, for example:

The – This reveals that Jehovah God is the only God. He is not merely a god – He is THE God. He is not one of many – He is the One and only! We should, like Paul, always profess, "yet for us there is one God" (1 Corinthians 8:6).

Lord – This shows that God is the Lord – our master. A Lord is one who has rule over your life. If He is our Lord then He is first in everything. As Peter suggests, let us "sanctify the Lord God in your hearts" (1 Peter 3:15).

Is – This present tense word shows that God lives. He was, and is, and always will be. God is just as alive today as when David wrote this Psalm. Let us indeed be convinced of what God thundered forth in Malachi 4:6, "For I am the Lord, I do not change."

My – God is not an abstract power – He is not an aloof entity. He wants to be our personal God. He wants a relationship with us. It is imperative that we become as close to Him as possible. Let us, like Thomas, proudly proclaim, "My Lord and my God" (John 20:28).

Shepherd – A good shepherd is one who lovingly cares for, feeds, guides, and protects the sheepfold. This is what God does for us if we stay faithful to Him. We can be at peace if we fully trust in Him and obey His will. And we should, like the Psalmist, express joy all day long for Him: "So we, Your people and sheep of Your pasture, will give You thanks forever; we will show forth Your praise to all generations" (Psalm 79:13).

Is the Lord God truly your Shepherd? If so, you have nothing to fear (read the rest of Psalm 23 for this assurance)

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What of Tomorrow?

I do not know what still awaits, Or what the morrow brings; But with the glad salute of faith, I hail its opening wings! For this I know ~ that in my Lord Shall all my needs be met; And I can trust the heart of him Who has not failed me yet.

Author Unknown



YOUTH MINISTER UPDATE

Please continue to pray for our Elders as they seek God's guidance in the next step of choosing a someone to be our new Youth Minister. Also pray for the man who God has for us to hear from Him and to discern if this position is for him. And pray for God to continue to bless our finances so we will can better serve Gateway and our community.

Pray for Rob & Tami & their work here every evening at 8:22pm

GATEWAY YOUTH

Pray with us every evening at 8:24 pm for God to bring us a new Student Minister.

Stay up-to-date on what's going in the Student Ministry. Text @48554 to 81010 to sign up for text messages.



Serving begins at 5:30 pm Worship begins @ 6:15pm Followed by class for children & class for adults

MENSMINISTRY

Text @ 3g6b7 to 81010 to sign up for text messages



Tuesday Evening Bible Study 5:30pm @ Pam Hough's 123 Meander Dr.

Thursday Morning Bible Study 10am @ Gateway

For more information call or text: Pam Hough ... 423-580-0616 Reita Kiker ... 575-420-4555

WORSHIP SCHEDULE SUNDAY MORNING CLASSES

9:30AM—10:15AM

CHILDREN

Cradle Roll & Elementary Various Teachers

TEENS

6th - 12 Grade Teen Room Upstairs - Various Teachers

ADULTS

Fellowship Room - Dennis Moore

SUNDAY WORSHIP SERVICE

10:30 AM - 11:45AM

WEDNESDAY EVENING

Meal @ 5:30pm 6:15pm - Worship, Adult Devotional & Children's Class

GATEWAY CHURCH & CHRISTIAN SERVICES OFFICE HOURS

Monday-Thursday 9:00 AM - 3:00PM Friday 9:00 AM - 12 Noon

ELDERS / MINISTERS / STAFF

John Duncan Dennis Moore
Wyatt Sparks Paul Wetzel Anson Whitton

To the Community	Every Member John Duncan
Worship Minister	. Rob Duncan
Student & Family Minister	
Secretary	. Twylla Wetzel
Christian Services Director	. Gayla Skeen
Christian Services Assistant	
Christian Services Assistant	. Dennis Moore
Custodian	Julie Mellor

MINISTRY LEADERS

Children's Education
Meals Betty Jowell
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Men's Ministries Freddy Velasquez
Mexico Mission Wyatt Sparks
Mountain View Camp
Our Gifts Seminar Twylla Wetzel
Peak of the Week Gayla Skeen
Prayer Ministry Paul Wetzel
Ruidoso Homeschool Co-op., Torrey Bellon
Social Media Anson Whitton
Technology & Sound John Rucker
Widows Chuck & Betty Jowell
Women's Ministries Pam Hough, Reita Kiker,
Shelbi Rucker, Kelli Spray
Worship Coordinator

HOW ARE WE DOING?

 Week of 2-25-2024
 Weekly
 Year To Date

 Anticipated Spending ..
 \$ 8,245.97
 \$ 74,213.73

 Contribution
 \$ 10,229.66
 \$ 58,305.18

Worship Projection...... Twylla Wetzel

(At the time of printing, totals for the week of 3-3 were not available - they will be in next week's bulletin)







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In Our Thoughts and Prayers

- ♦ The Leaders of this great country, all those in power making laws
- ♦ Safety for our Firefighters, Police Officers, First Responders, Medical Staff
- ♦ Our School System School Board, Administration, Teachers, and Students
- ♦ Our families
- **♦ Our Elders**
- **♦** Our Community
- **♦ Our World**
- ♦ Ruthie Ewen
- **♦** Brandon Dickson
- ♦ Armand & Jacqueline, missionaries in the Middle East
- ♦ Our Elders & our search for a Youth Minister
- ♦ John Crouse, health concerns
- ♦ Mary Rodella, cancer
- ♦ Kristen Gibson, fighting a battle with Metastatic Bone Cancer, she is 28, the daughter of Erin & Jared Aguilar, granddaughter of the Mellor's, niece of Stephanie Robinson, cousin to Mollie Robinson

Praying The Psalms - WEEK 3

Sunday - Psalm 51 Monday - Psalm 141 Tuesday - Psalm 32 Wednesday - Psalm 86 Thursday - Psalm 40 Friday - Psalm 6 Saturday - Psalm 25

Our Mission Work

- ◆ Armand & Jacqueline, Campus Crusades for Christ Middle East
- ♦ Wyatt Sparks, Mexico
- ♦ Vicky Cordova, Kairos Prison Ministry; Western NM Correctional Facility
- ◆ Adrian & Moriah Olvera, UNM Campus, Albuquerque, NM
- ♦ Kenya Widows and Orphans, Kericho Kenya
- ◆ Sydney Reynolds, Impact Church, Houston, Texas
- ♦ Life-Way of Lincoln County Pregnancy Center, Ruidoso, NM

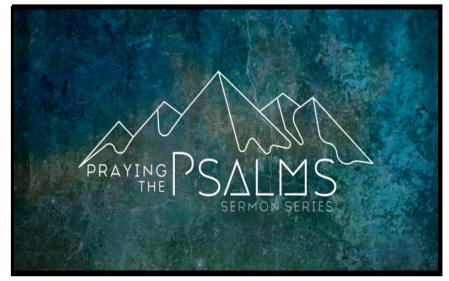
NEXT WEEK

Psalm 137



March 10, 2024

Our mission at Gateway is to grow closer to Christ and to encourage others to grow closer to Christ.



Order Of Worship

Your Grace Is Enough

Kids / Announcements / Guest Welcome / Prayer

Call To Worship

Create In Me Contribution It Is Well

Come Thou Fount Unto Thee O Lord Psalm 1

Scripture Reading

Today's Message with Worship Pastor, Rob Duncan

Communion Thoughts & Prayer

Redemption Song All My Hope Is In Jesus

Elder's Prayer

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