

My Shepherd Never Leaves Me

Series: My Shepherd

Scripture: Psalm 23

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, they comfort me. Psalm 23:4

Introduction

Grief is _____.

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Grief involves _____.

Overview

<i>Even though</i>	Something always comes _____.
<i>I walk</i>	Life is a journey and we _____ walking.
<i>Through the valley</i>	Valleys can be frightful but _____.
<i>of the shadow</i>	The shadow is _____ the real thing.
<i>Of death</i>	The reality is we are _____ going to die.
<i>I will</i>	We make conscious _____.
<i>Fear no evil</i>	God is still in _____.
<i>For thou art with me</i>	The _____ of the Lord is real.
<i>Your rod</i>	We have his _____.
<i>And your staff</i>	We have his _____.
<i>They comfort me</i>	We have his _____.

The Challenge

_____ God in the valley.

_____ to God in the valley.

_____ with God in the valley.

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1. We see it in the transfer of leadership from _____ to Joshua.

Then Moses summoned Joshua and said to him in the sight of all Israel, 'Be strong and courageous, for you shall go with this people into the land that the LORD has sworn to their fathers to give them, and you shall put them in possession of it. It is the LORD who goes before you. He will be with you; he will not leave you or forsake you. Do not fear or be dismayed.' Deuteronomy 31:7-8

2. We see it in God's promise to _____ following Moses' death.

. . . Just as I was with Moses, so I will be with you. I will not leave you or forsake you . . . Have I not commanded you? Be strong and courageous. Do not be frightened, and do not be dismayed, for the LORD your God is with you wherever you go. Joshua 1:5b, 9

3. We see this promise to God's people for their _____ lives.

Keep your life free from love of money, and be content with what you have, for he has said, 'I will never leave you nor forsake you.' So we can confidently say, 'The Lord is my helper; I will not fear; what can man do to me?' Hebrews 13:5-6

Because I live, you also will live. – Jesus (John 14:19b)

For to me to live is Christ, and to die is gain. Philippians 1:21

*Jesus said to her,
'I am the resurrection and the life.
Whoever believes in me, though he die, yet shall he live,
and everyone who lives and believes in me shall never die.
Do you believe this?
John 11:25-26*