

Mark 10:37-40

37 They replied, "Let one of us sit at your right hand in your glorious kingdom. Let the other one sit at your left hand."

38 "You don't know what you're asking for," Jesus said. "Can you drink the cup of suffering I drink? Or can you go through the baptism of suffering I must go through?"



39 "We can," they answered.

Jesus said to them, "You will drink the cup I drink. And you will go through the baptism I go through. 40 But it is not for me to say who will sit at my right or left hand. These places belong to those they are prepared for."



Rom 5:3-5

3 And that's not all. We are full of joy even when we suffer. We know that our suffering gives us the strength to go on. 4 The strength to go on produces character. Character produces hope. 5 And hope will never bring us shame. That's because God's love has been poured into our hearts. This happened through the Holy Spirit, who has been given to us.



2 My brothers and sisters, you will face all kinds of trouble. When you do, think of it as pure joy. 3 Your faith will be tested. You know that when this happens it will produce in you the strength to continue. 4 And you must allow this strength to finish its work. Then you will be all you should be.

Psalm 23

23 The LORD is my shepherd. He gives me everything I need.

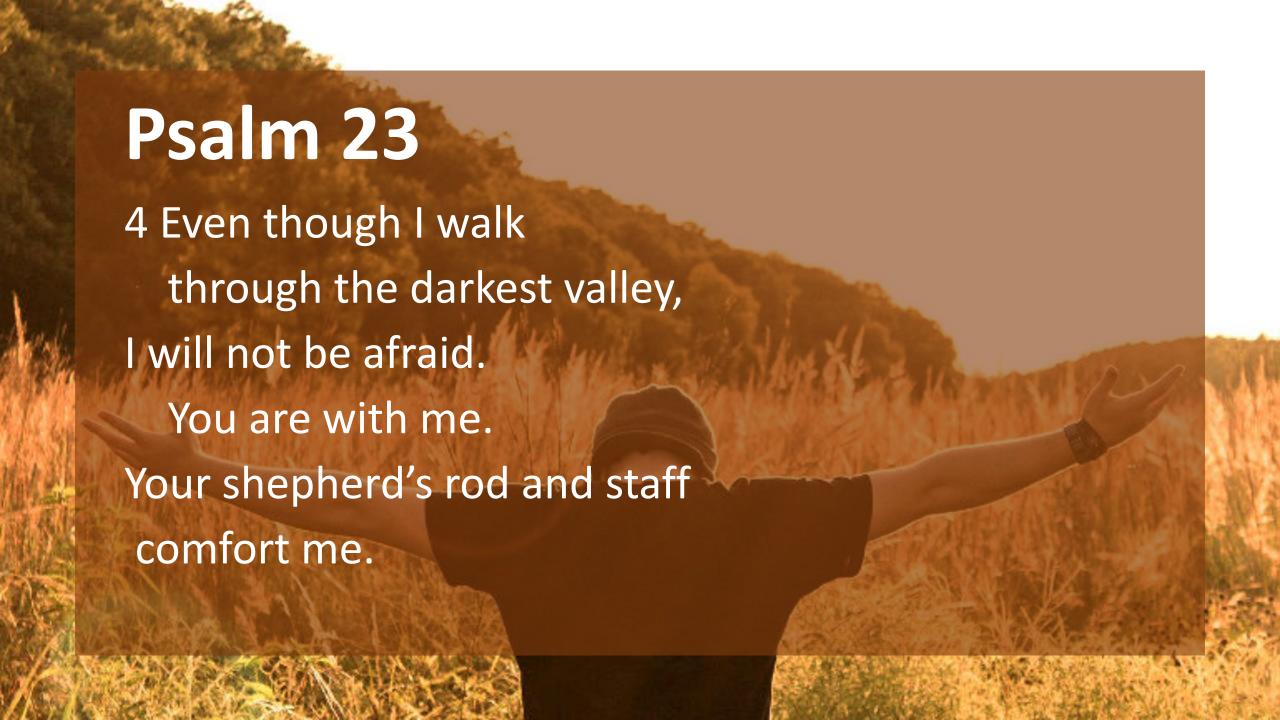
2 He lets me lie down in fields of green grass.

He leads me beside quiet waters.

3 He gives me new strength.

He guides me in the right paths for the honor of his name.

comfort me.



Psalm 23

5 You prepare a feast for me right in front of my enemies.

You pour oil on my head.

My cup runs over.

6 I am sure that your goodness and love will follow me all the days of my life.

And I will live in the house of the LORD forever.