

BIBLE

STUDENT BOOK



▶ **4th Grade | Unit 5**

.....

BIBLE 405

GOD CARES FOR US

Introduction | **3**

1. **Christ our Helper and Shepherd** **5**

Jesus Chooses and Leads His
Sheep | **7**

Jesus Feeds His Sheep | **9**

Jesus Guides His Sheep | **11**

Jesus Protects His Sheep | **13**

Jesus Loves His Sheep | **15**

Jesus Welcomes His Sheep | **17**

Self Test 1 | **20**

2. **David the Shepherd**..... **23**

David Loved His Sheep | **24**

David Protected His Sheep | **27**

David Helped King Saul | **29**

David Trusted God | **31**

Self Test 2 | **34**

3. **Daniel the Helper** **37**

Daniel Pleased the King | **38**

Daniel Honored God | **39**

Daniel Trusted God | **42**

Self Test 3 | **46**

LIFEPAC Test | **Pull-out**



Author:

Dolores Stedman

Editor-in-Chief:

Richard W. Wheeler, M.A.Ed.

Editor:

Janet Monseu

Consulting Editor:

John L. Booth, Th.D.

Revision Editor:

Alan Christopherson, M.S.

Media Credits:

Page 3: © Carton King, iStock, Thinkstock; **5:** © Fesus Robert, iStock, Thinkstock; **7:** © Hemera Technologies, AbleStock.com, Thinkstock; **9:** © zkbid, iStock, Thinkstock; **13:** © Nadine Wickenden, Dorling Kindersley, Thinkstock; **15:** © Christian Sangoyo, iStock, Thinkstock; **23:** © enjoylife2, iStock, Thinkstock; **24:** © Dorling Kindersley, Thinkstock. **27:** © Nadine Wickenden, Dorling Kindersley, Thinkstock; **31:** © Anthony Bagget, iStock, Thinkstock; **37:** © Photos.com, Thinkstock; **38:** © Maj. Mike Feeney, US Army; **40:** © Dorling Kindersley, Thinkstock; **42:** © Dorling Kindersley, Thinkstock.



**804 N. 2nd Ave. E.
Rock Rapids, IA 51246-1759**

© MCMXCVI by Alpha Omega Publications, Inc. All rights reserved.
LIFEPAC is a registered trademark of Alpha Omega Publications, Inc.

All trademarks and/or service marks referenced in this material are the property of their respective owners.
Alpha Omega Publications, Inc. makes no claim of ownership to any trademarks and/or service marks other than their own and their affiliates, and makes no claim of affiliation to any companies whose trademarks may be listed in this material, other than their own.

GOD CARES FOR US

“Did you bring back the Sheep Book?” The old shepherd was speaking from his tent door to the missionary. The missionary had come to spend the night with the shepherd.

For a moment the missionary was puzzled. Then he remembered that the last time he had visited the shepherd he had read to him from the Bible. He had read the Twenty-Third Psalm to the shepherd.

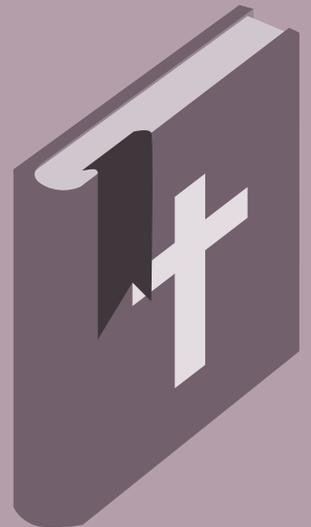
The old shepherd had loved the Psalm because it spoke to him of sheep and of their shepherd. The old shepherd understood sheep. He had called the Bible the “Sheep Book.”

“The Sheep Book” is a good name for the Bible because the Bible often tells you about shepherds and their sheep. This LIFEPAC® will help you understand why you need to learn about sheep and shepherds today.

Objectives

Read these objectives. The objectives tell you what you will be able to do when you have successfully completed this LIFE PAC. Each section will list according to the numbers below what objectives will be met in that section. When you have completed this LIFE PAC, you should be able to:

1. Find the book of Psalms in the Bible.
2. Recite the Twenty-Third Psalm from memory.
3. Tell who the shepherd of the Twenty-Third Psalm is.
4. Explain how one can be a sheep of the Good Shepherd.
5. Identify the writer of the Twenty-Third Psalm.
6. Compare the shepherd's care of the sheep with the Lord's care for us.
7. Identify God as the one who helps us and who protects us.
8. Tell how David stood alone for God.
9. Tell how God used David to carry out His plans.
10. Tell how Daniel stood alone for God.
11. Tell how God used Daniel to carry out His plans.



1. CHRIST OUR HELPER AND SHEPHERD (TWENTY-THIRD PSALM)

In about the middle of your Bible, you will find the book of **Psalms**. One hundred fifty (150) psalms are written in the book of **Psalms**. God used a man named **David** to write many of these psalms.

For hundreds of years, ever since they were written, these psalms have been dear to all who love the Lord. One of the best-loved psalms is the Twenty-Third Psalm. Some people have called it the “Psalm of Psalms.” A Psalm is for singing, and the Twenty-Third Psalm has also been called “The sweetest song ever sung.”

The Twenty-Third Psalm is about just two people, the Lord and you. David wrote this wonderful psalm that you are going to learn. Since David had been a **shepherd** boy himself, he knew many things about sheep and their shepherds.

Objectives

Review these objectives. When you have completed this section, you should be able to:

1. Find the book of Psalms in the Bible.
2. Recite the Twenty-Third Psalm from memory.
3. Tell who the shepherd of the Twenty-Third Psalm is.
4. Explain how one can be a sheep of the Good Shepherd.
5. Identify the writer of the Twenty-Third Psalm.
6. Compare the shepherd's care of the sheep with the Lord's care for us.

Vocabulary

Study these new words. Learning the meanings of these words is a good study habit and will improve your understanding of this LIFEPAC.

anoint (u noint). To put oil on.

bruise (brüz). A mark left on the body from being hurt.

fold (föld). A pen for keeping sheep.

pasture (pas chur). Grassland used for feeding animals.

Psalms (sämsz). A book of the Old Testament; songs or poems of praise.

restore (ri stôr). To bring back, to put back, to fix.

righteousness (rī chus nis). Free from wrong or sin.

shepherd (shep urd). A man who takes care of sheep.

soul (söl). The real you.

spiritual (spir u chü ul). Having to do with one's relation to God.

thorn (thörn). A sharp point on a stem or branch of a tree or a bush.

trough (trôf). A long narrow container for holding food or water.

Note: All vocabulary words in this LIFEPAC appear in **boldface** print the first time they are used. If you are unsure of the meaning when you are reading, study the definitions given.

Pronunciation Key: hat, āge, cāre, fār; let, ēqual, tērm; it, īce; hot, ōpen, ôrder; oil; out; cup, pūt, rüle; child; long; thin; /TH/ for then; /zh/ for measure; /u/ or /ə/ represents /a/ in about, /e/ in taken, /i/ in pencil, /o/ in lemon, and /u/ in circus.

Jesus Chooses and Leads His Sheep



Read Psalm 23:1.

Read the first verse of the Twenty-Third **Psalm**. The **shepherd** of the psalm is the Lord Jesus, for Jesus himself said, (John 10:11), “I am the good shepherd: the good shepherd giveth his life for the sheep.”

A shepherd chooses and buys his sheep. The sheep are his after he pays for them. The shepherd then gives each sheep a name and is concerned about each one. A good shepherd carefully leads his sheep and wants each of them to follow him closely.

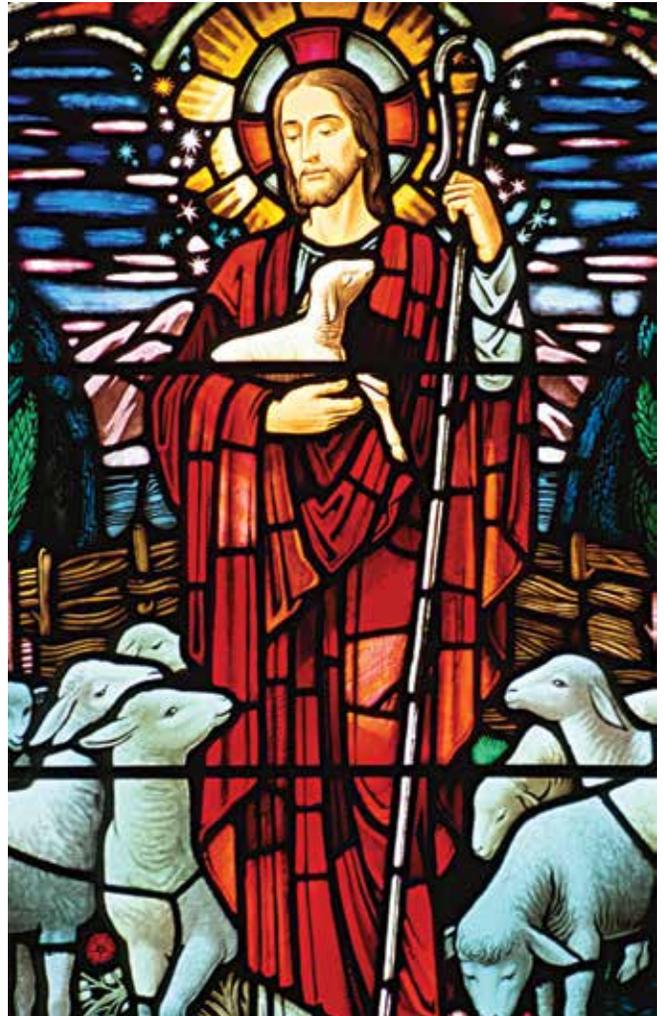
The Lord Jesus, the Good Shepherd, chose us and paid for us with His life when He died for us. He knows each of our names and wants to lead us.

What do you think is the most important word in this verse? Perhaps it is *my*. The Lord Jesus is a shepherd, but it is important for you to be able to say, “The Lord is *my* shepherd. The Lord bought *me!*”

What do you need to do to become one of His sheep? You need to believe on the Lord Jesus Christ. He said (John 6:47), “Verily, verily, I say unto you, He that believeth on me hath everlasting life.”

All of Jesus’ sheep have eternal life. Jesus said (John 10:27, 28a), “My sheep hear my voice, and I know them, and they follow me: And I give unto them eternal life.”

Either you belong to the Lord or you do not. Ask yourself these questions: Do I know Jesus as my Savior? Do I allow Him to own me? Do I love Him? Do I follow His leading?



| Jesus Leads His Sheep

If you can answer “yes” to these questions, you can truly say with David, “The Lord is *my* shepherd! He is mine through the day and through the night. He is mine at home, in school, or at play!”

If you cannot truthfully say, “The Lord is *my* shepherd,”ask your teacher to help you know Jesus as your Savior.

Do you know the meaning of the words, “I shall not want?” The words mean that when you have the Lord as your shepherd, you have all that you need. You may not have all that you would like to have, but the Good Shepherd, the Lord Jesus, will see that you, as one of His sheep, have all you need.



Memorize Psalm 23:1.

1.1 Say it to a friend when you have it memorized.



Teacher check:

Initials _____ Date _____



Complete this activity.

1.2 Change the numbers into letters of the alphabet: A for 1, B for 2, C for 3, and so on through the alphabet. Above each number write the matching letter. Here’s the message:

 20 8 5 12 15 18 4 9 19 13 25

 19 8 5 16 8 5 18 4 9

 19 8 1 12 12 14 15 20 23 1 14 20.



Select the correct word to complete each sentence.

Good Shepherd

my

Lord Jesus

need

1.3 The shepherd of the Twenty-Third Psalm is the _____

_____.

1.4 Perhaps the most important word in the first verse is

_____.

1.5 The Good Shepherd will see that His sheep have all they

_____.

1.6 Jesus said, "I am the _____."

Jesus Feeds His Sheep



Read Psalm 23:2.

Each morning the shepherd calls his sheep together and leads them out to the **pasture** so that they can find tender grass to eat and streams where they can drink.



| Grazing sheep

The shepherd’s job is to see that his sheep have plenty to eat and drink. The sheep cannot drink at fastmoving streams, for the water gets into their wool. If the wool gets wet and heavy, the sheep may fall into the water and float down the stream.

The shepherd must find still waters for them. Sometimes he dams up the water in a little pond as some children do when they are playing. At other times he pours water in **troughs** for the sheep to drink. The shepherd may find a quiet well of water. The sheep also enjoy the droplets of water that hang on the grass and leaves in the early morning.

The shepherd wants to see his sheep happy and ready to rest after they have had plenty to eat and to drink.

The green pastures and still waters stand for God’s Word, the Bible, which is food for our **spiritual** lives. God’s Word is the food we need to grow and to become strong Christians.



Memorize Psalm 23:2.

1.7 Say it to friend when you have it memorized.



Teacher check:

Initials _____ Date _____



Choose the correct word to complete each sentence.

God’s Word (Bible)

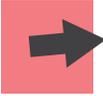
grass

water

1.8 The shepherd’s job is to see that his sheep have plenty of
a. _____ and b. _____ .

1.9 The green pastures and still waters stand for _____
_____ .

1.10 The sheep feed on a. _____ and b. _____ .
We feed on c. _____ for our spiritual lives.

**Do this activity.**

1.11 Explain why sheep cannot drink at fast-moving streams.

**Answer yes or no.**

1.12 _____ The shepherd wants to see his sheep happy after they have had plenty to eat and drink. Do you think the Lord enjoys seeing us happy after we have fed on His Word?

1.13 _____ Sheep rise early to feed on the grass when it is fresh with dew. Should we rise early to feed on God's Word?

Jesus Guides His Sheep



Read Psalm 23:3.

If a sheep falls asleep and happens to roll over on its back, it cannot get back to its feet again. The sheep could lie there and kick for hours and still not be able to **restore** itself. The shepherd must patiently turn the sheep over.

Sheep cannot stay in one place all the time because they ruin the land by eating all the green grass. The shepherd must lead the sheep to good pastures. The shepherd always leads them. He never drives them. The shepherd is always in front of his sheep and not behind them.

In some ways sheep are like people. Instead of following the shepherd as they should, they wander off. Sometimes as the sheep are being led by the shepherd, one sheep will see another path that he thinks will lead to greener grass. Perhaps he will start to follow it. Wild animals may be along the way. Deep ditches might cause the sheep to fall and to be hurt.

The shepherd must search for the sheep and bring him back. The shepherd knows all the paths, and he will lead the sheep safely.

Like sheep, people often turn their own ways even though the wrong paths may take them into trouble. The Good Shepherd, the Lord Jesus, wants to lead His people in “paths of **righteousness**,” or in right paths. How does the Lord lead in the right path? The Lord leads His people through His Word. Read and learn the Bible to know what the Lord wants you to do. He will lead you in right paths. Jesus will “restore your **soul**.”



Underline the correct meaning for each of the following words.

- 1.14** *Restore*
- a. fix
 - b. put back
 - c. bring back
 - d. a, b, and c
 - e. neither a, b, nor c
- 1.15** *Paths of righteousness*
- a. sinful ways
 - b. right paths
 - c. steep cliffs
 - d. a, b, and c
 - e. neither a, b, nor c



Circle the correct answer.

- 1.16** Who knows best?
- a. sheep
 - b. shepherd
- 1.17** Who knows best?
- a. people
 - b. Lord Jesus
- 1.18** Which does the shepherd do?
- a. leads the sheep
 - b. drives the sheep



Memorize Psalm 23:3.

- 1.19** When you know the verse by heart, write it on the following lines. _____
- _____
- _____
- _____

SELF TEST 1

Match each Bible phrase with the correct ending (each answer, 3 points).

- | | | | |
|-------------|-------|------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| 1.01 | _____ | The Lord is my shepherd | a. runneth over |
| 1.02 | _____ | He maketh me to lie
down | b. in green pastures |
| 1.03 | _____ | He leadeth me | c. shall follow me |
| 1.04 | _____ | He restoreth | d. with oil |
| 1.05 | _____ | Thy rod and thy staff | e. beside the still waters |
| 1.06 | _____ | Thou anointest my head | f. they comfort me |
| 1.07 | _____ | My cup | g. my mind |
| 1.08 | _____ | Surely goodness and
mercy | h. in the house of the Lord forever |
| 1.09 | _____ | I will dwell | i. I shall not want |
| | | | j. my soul |

Choose the correct word to complete each sentence (each answer, 3 points).

Good Shepherd	grass and water	wild animals	God's word
staff	water	David	Lord Jesus
oil			

- 1.010** The writer of the Twenty-Third Psalm is _____.
- 1.011** The shepherd of the Twenty-Third Psalm is the _____.
- 1.012** Jesus said, "I am the _____."
- 1.013** Sheep rise early to feed on _____.
- 1.014** We should rise early to feed on _____.
- 1.015** The shepherd keeps the sheep on the right path with his _____.
- 1.016** The rod is used to kill _____.
- 1.017** If a sheep has bruises, the shepherd anoints the bruises with _____.
- 1.018** Both the sheep and the shepherd need _____ to drink.

Answer this question (your answer, 5 points).

1.036 Why did Jesus call Himself the Good Shepherd? _____



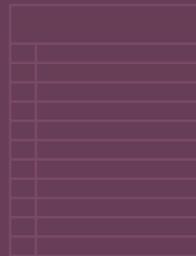
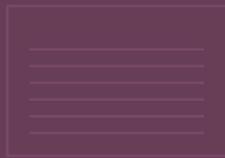
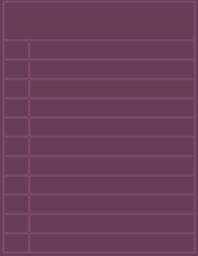
Teacher check:

Score _____

Initials _____

Date _____





804 N. 2nd Ave. E.
Rock Rapids, IA 51246-1759

800-622-3070
www.aop.com

BIB0405 - Jan '16 Printing

ISBN 978-0-86717-135-8



9 780867 171358