

Psalm 23



**Faith**  
over  
**Fear**

**PS 23**

Message #5

**The Right Path**

## Psalm 23

1 The LORD is my shepherd; I shall not want.

2 He makes me to lie down in green pastures;  
He leads me beside the still waters.

3 He restores my soul; He leads me in the  
paths of righteousness for His name's sake.



## Psalm 23

4 Yea, 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.

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



## Psalm 23

6 Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me  
All the days of my life; And I will dwell in the  
house of the LORD Forever. (NKJV)



Psalm 23:3b

**He leads me in the  
paths of righteousness  
for His name's sake.**



# He leads me...



Jesus' call to each of us is...

## Follow Me!

**He leads me...**

**What does it  
mean to**

**Follow  
Jesus?**



**Follow Me and become like Me!**

## **Matthew 4:18-20**

**18 And Jesus, walking by the Sea of Galilee, saw two brothers, Simon called Peter, and Andrew his brother, casting a net into the sea; for they were fishermen.**

**19 Then He said to them, "Follow Me, and I will make you fishers of men."**

**20 They immediately left their nets and followed Him.**

## **Matthew 4:21-22**

**21** Going on from there, He saw two other brothers, James the son of Zebedee, and John his brother, in the boat with Zebedee their father, mending their nets. He called them,  
**22** and immediately they left the boat and their father, and followed Him.

# HOW?

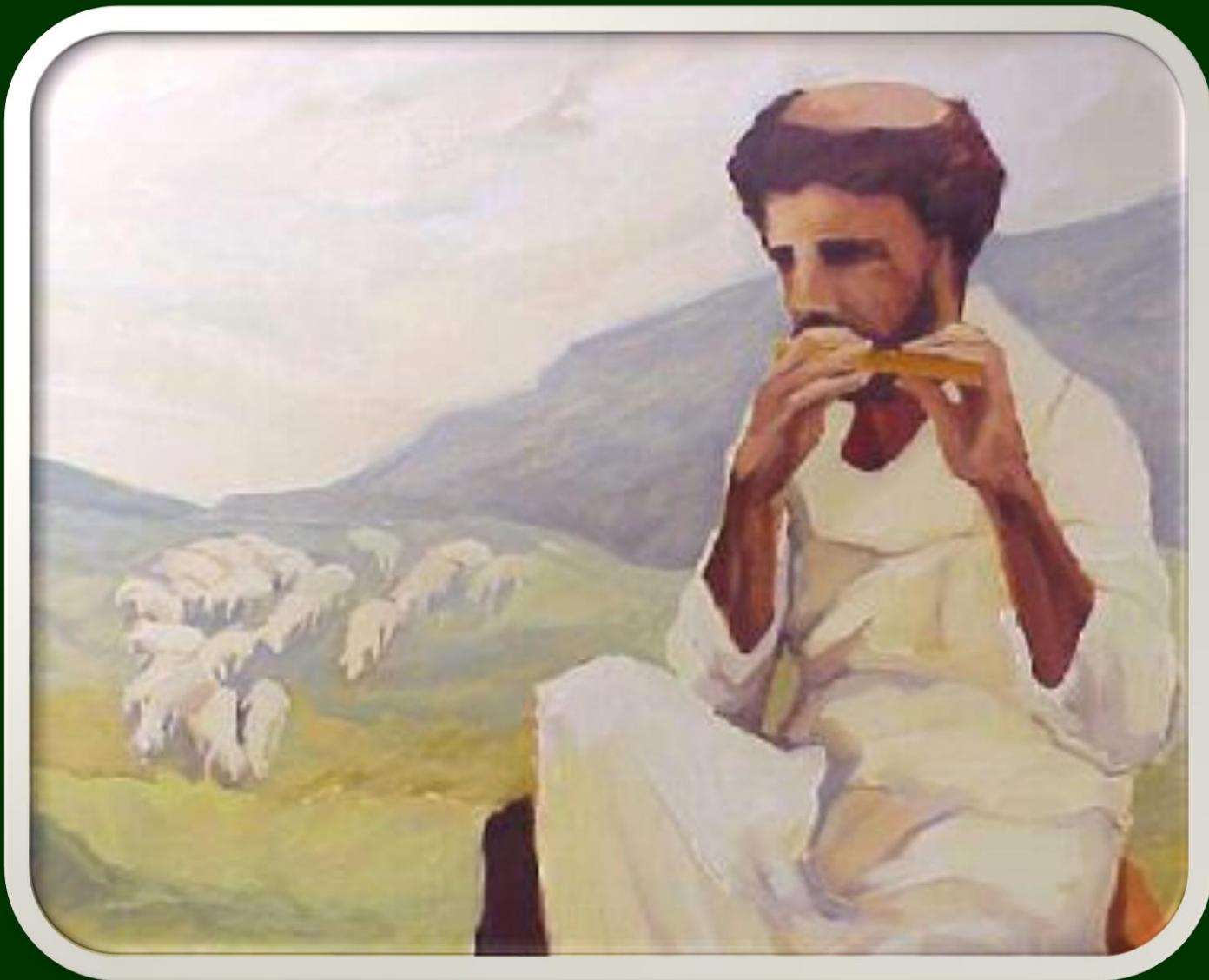
**Jesus, John 10:27**

**“My sheep hear My voice,  
and I know them, and they  
follow Me.”**

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**3 Primary Ways We Hear His Voice**

- 1) The Word**
- 2) The Spirit**
- 3) Wise Godly Counsel**



# **Shepherd's Song**

Flutist – Raman Maharjan

**Do you know the Shepherd's Voice?**



Paths on a  
hillside







# The Path

- Trust God for every step.
- You had to take every step intentionally.
- To take your eyes off the path could have been certain destruction.



- Many times the Path is too rough & steep to walk by yourself.
- You need someone's help.
- **We need each other in order to walk with God.**

# Paths of Righteousness



## Right-e-ous-ness

The **Right** path

The **Right** way to live

The **Right** decision

The **Right** way to handle someone

## Jeremiah 50:6

6 "My people have been **lost sheep**.  
Their **shepherds** have led them astray;  
They have turned them away **on the  
mountains**. They have gone **from  
mountain to hill**; They have **forgotten  
their resting place**.



## **Matthew 7:13-14**

**13 "Enter by the narrow gate; for wide is the gate and broad is the way that leads to destruction, and there are many who go in by it.**

**14 "Because narrow is the gate and difficult is the way which leads to life, and there are few who find it.**





**Wide or Narrow?  
Life or Death?**

# ...for His name's sake



Jewish saying...  
“righteousness for  
righteousness”

- **Good for me**
- **Good for God**

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**Do you know what Jesus did to put you  
on The Path of Righteousness?**

**2 Corinthians 5:21**

**For He made Him  
who knew no sin  
to be sin for us,  
that we might  
become the  
righteousness of God  
in Him.**

