

# God's Prescription When Fearing The Future

*Psalm 23 (KJV)*

- 1) *The LORD is my shepherd; I shall not want.*
- 2) *He maketh me to lie down in green pastures: He leadeth me beside the still waters.*
- 3) *He restoreth my soul: He leadeth me in the paths of righteousness for his name's sake.*
- 4) *Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil: for thou art with me; Thy rod and thy staff they comfort me.*
- 5) *Thou preparest a table before me in the presence of mine enemies: Thou anointest my head with oil; my cup runneth over.*
- 6) *Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life: And I will dwell in the house of the LORD for ever.*

## Introduction

*Psalm 23:6 (KJV)*

- ❖ David has no anxiety, fear of the future, worry about tomorrow. He's confident – *“surely, goodness and mercy will follow me all the days of my life.”*
- ◆ If you're a believer, there are three reasons why you don't need to fear the future.

## I Can Face The Future Confidently...

### I. Because God Is \_\_\_\_\_ Over Me

*“Surely goodness will follow me all the days of my life.”*

*Psalm 145:20 (NIV)*

- ❖ The great promise that God has given to believers:

*Romans 8:28 (KJV)*

- ❖ God says, I will watch over you. How does God watch over believers?

*Psalm 91:10–11 (KJV)*

- God orders His angels to protect you wherever you go!

*Psalm 8:4–5 (KJV), Psalm 91:11 (KJV), Daniel 6, 2 Kings 6, Psalm 91:11 (KJV), Acts 27*

One thing you can count on: **God will always be with you through adversity.**

- I can face the future confidently...

## II. Because Grace Is \_\_\_\_\_ In Me

- ❖ Not only goodness will follow you but “...*mercy shall follow me all the days of my life.*”

*Isaiah 60:10 (NLT)*

- ❖ What is grace? \_\_\_\_\_
- ❖ What is mercy? \_\_\_\_\_

*Psalm 103:1–13 (KJV), Hebrews 4:16 (KJV)*

### **Mercy, like goodness, follows us in life.**

- ◆ But you will never face a day without God's goodness and mercy with you if you've given your life to Jesus Christ. He will be with you all the time.
- ❖ Goodness and mercy keep you in the flock. When you have goodness and mercy in your life you don't have need to fear anything.

*Romans 2:4 (KJV)*

- ❖ Goodness and mercy ought to be enough to get us into the future.
  - I can face the future confidently...

## III. Because Heaven Is \_\_\_\_\_ For Me

*Psalm 23:6 (KJV), 2 Corinthians 5:1 (NKJV) & (CEV)*

- ❖ Why are Christians the most confident people about the future?

*2 Corinthians 5:6–8 (The Living Bible), Revelation 21:4 (KJV), 1 Peter 1:4–6 (NKJV), 1 Peter 2:11 (NKJV)*

- Your real home is in heaven...

*John 10:27–28 (KJV)*

### **Conclusion**

- ❖ When you face the future, what do you see?
- ❖ You have two choices in life:

- ◆ \_\_\_\_\_
- ◆ \_\_\_\_\_

- So I don't have to fear the future!