

He Restores My Soul

Psalm 23: 1-4

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Wild

Reflect

Outline: Recap

Realize

Points to Ponder

Respond

Questions to draw out understanding.

REFLECT

Our lives, whether we like it or not, contain all sorts of experiences. From the greatest victories to the most stunning defeats, from things we cannot wait to happen again to things we would never wish on our worst enemies. In that sense, life is like a journey into the wild. Life is full of everything.

Thank God we have a Good Shepherd who will lead us through it all. We are excited to begin our new series, "Wild" as we explore the wildly popular Psalm 23.

REALIZE

1. He restores our identity in the family of God

- **Scripture Reference;** Psalm 23:1-4
- **Questions for Reflection**
 - Why on earth would a shepherd leave 99 for 1?

2. He restores our authority in the family of God

- **Scripture Reference;** Luke 15:3-31
- **Questions for Reflection**
 - Why would someone spend money on a party for a lost coin?

3. He restores our freedom in the family of God

- **Scripture Reference;** Galatians 3:27
- **Questions for reflection**
 - What areas of my life is God restoring as son/daughter in his family?

Optional Follow-up Questions:

- What makes you say that?
- How do you feel about that?
- How would you explain your answer to a non-Christian friend or neighbor?
- Why did God design it to work that way? Why not just do (whatever else) instead?
- What would you say to someone who disagrees with that?
- Why do we really have to do it like that? Why can't we just go (some other route) instead?