

Today, on this Summer Wednesday: Our SHEPHERD God Leads and Protects

Gather your children together and read Psalm 78:52:

“But He led His own people like a flock of sheep, guiding them safely through the wilderness. He kept them safe so they were not afraid. . .”

Application: We are told in Exodus that our Shepherd God was faithful to lead His people out of bondage as slaves in a foreign land, through the wilderness, into the land which He had promised to them through their forefathers. Our SHEPHERD God not only led them, but also protected them.

In his book, A Shepherd Looks at Psalm 23, Philip Keller who had been a shepherd for a number of years, discusses the importance of the presence of the shepherd, the master, the protector in the midst of his flock. In fact, the presence allowed the shepherd to go before the flock to ward off danger and to lead them into safe zones, to keep the flock safely gathered together, and to calm their often “tense, restless, and irritable behavior.”

This sounds so familiar doesn't it? We need leadership, protection, assurance. . . Discuss with your precious ones the purpose of the presence of the parents in the life of the family. . . and how parental leadership affects the protection and the well-being of the family.

Discuss with your children the importance of inviting the SHEPHERD God into their lives, to be their SHEPHERD, their Leader, their Provider, their Protector. Like a shepherd leads and protects the flock, their faithful God wants to be their SHEPHERD.

Memory Verse:

“The LORD is my SHEPHERD; I have all that I need.” Psalm 23:1

Pray to your SHEPHERD GOD who adores you and is compassionate towards you. Thank Him for His love and His willingness to be your own personal Shepherd. Ask Him into the carved place in your heart which only His SHEPHERD Heart can fill.

