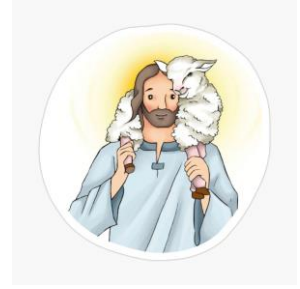


THE NAME JEHOVAH

5. Jehovah Raah



INTROUDCTION

One of the most well-known and loved titles for God in the Old Testament is found in Psalm 23. It is the name Jehovah Raah, the Lord is my Shepherd. This name speaks of an individual and personal relationship with God, and when we have that relationship with him, we have everything we need. Let's look at Psalm 23 to see what that means.

Scripture Reading: Psalm 23

- ✧ What does our Shepherd provide for us? Look at the following verses and then discuss what each one means? Verses 2, 3a, 3b, 4, 5, 6.
- ✧ What do you think it means when it says his rod and staff will comfort us? Psalm 23:4
- ✧ How does Psalm 23:6 give us hope and certainty for the future?

This wonderful name, Jehovah Raah, the Lord is my Shepherd, is one Jesus used for himself. He calls himself the Good Shepherd. Let's turn to John 10 now.

- ✧ What can we learn about Jesus as the Good Shepherd from John 10:3, 4, 11, and 14-15?
- ✧ What characteristics identify us as his sheep? John 10:3, 4, and 14?
(V3 We listen to his voice.
V4 We follow him because we know his voice.
V14 We know him.)

- ✧ What wonderful assurances does Jesus give us about the future? John 10:28-29

- ✧ Share what these truths mean to you.

CONCLUSION

The name Jehovah Raah, the Lord is my Shepherd, is one that speaks of our personal and individual relationship with God. In Him we have everything we need – He provides for us, protects us, and promises that his goodness will always follow us.

Jesus came to reveal God the Father to us. In John 10:30 Jesus says, "I and the Father are one." As our Good Shepherd, he has given his life for us, so we can belong to him forever. Let's always listen carefully to his voice and follow what he tells us to do.