

Personal Responsibilities Of The 23rd Psalm

The Demands Of Divine Blessings

The Blessings of Psalms 23

- He restores my soul –
- “Thou art with me”
- Prepares a table in the presence of my enemies
- He anoints my head
- My cup overflows
- Goodness & lovingkindness follow me

My responsibilities in Psalms 23

- **Be Content**
- *“I shall not want”*
- Two perspectives ...
- It's something to be learned ... Philipians 4:11-13; 1 Timothy 6:6-8; Colossians 3:5; Hebrews 13:5
- The need for a spiritual focus. Colossians 3:1-2; Matthew 6:19-21 – **Walk spiritually**

My responsibilities in Psalms 23

- **Be Submissive**
- *“I will be guided”*
- Because of where He leads – Psalms 73:23-25
- *“Follow Me!”* no matter what – John 21:18-22
- No excuses – Matthew 8:18-22
- Self Denial & Self Sacrifice – Luke 9:23
- Will we hear Jesus' voice? John 10:4, 16, 27; Matthew 17:5

My responsibilities in Psalms 23

- **Be Humbly Obedient**
- *“I will be guided in His paths”*
- Isaiah 42:16
- It's not in me to direct my own steps Jeremiah 10:23
- Psalms 27:11
- Do we sing w/ meaning; *“Guide me O Thou great Jehovah”*; Romans 12:1-2

My responsibilities in Psalms 23

- **Be Committed**
- *“I will walk”*
- I will not stop walking though the “valley” – I will not turn back. 2 Peter 2:20; Numbers 14:4; Hebrews 3:12-19
- I will endure whatever comes my way in serving the Lord. Hebrews 10:32-39; James 1:2-4; Luke 21:19; 2 Thessalonians 1:3-4

My responsibilities in Psalms 23

■ Be Courageous

- "I shall not fear"
- I will live with courage because of my fellowship with God. Deuteronomy 31:1-8, 23; Joshua 1:6-9
- What is courage?
- Obeying when it's harder than we can imagine. Ezra 10:1-4
- Courage driven by what we long for. 2 Corinthians 5:1-10

My responsibilities in Psalms 23

■ Be Faithful

- "I will dwell in the house of the Lord forever"
- Resolved: stay "true to the Lord." Acts 11:23
- Is that what we want? Psalms 27:4-6
- Are we committed to our brethren and the work? Nehemiah 4:14-16
- Faithful at what price? Revelation 2:10

The Lord's Invitation Is For The One Who Will...

- **Be Content** – I shall not want
- **Be Submissive** – I shall be led
- **Be Humbly Obedient** – I shall be guided
- **Be Committed** – I will walk
- **Be Courageous** – I shall not fear
- **Be Faithful** – I will dwell