

# SERMON NOTES (Audio, video, & sermon notes are online at HBChurch.net)



Series: Living in the Goodness of God – Psalm 23  
Sermon: **HOW TO BE LED BY GOD**

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Our conscience is a \_\_\_\_\_, our Bible is life's roadmap, and the Holy Spirit is our \_\_\_\_\_.

**Psalm 23** <sup>1</sup>The Lord is my shepherd, I shall not want. <sup>2</sup> He makes me lie down in green pastures; He leads me beside still waters; <sup>3</sup> He restores my soul. **He leads me in right paths** for his name's sake. (NRSV)

## 4 STOPS

1. **STOP following \_\_\_\_\_ that doesn't follow God!**

"Do not copy the behavior or values of this world. Instead, let God transform you into a new person by changing the way you think. Then you will know what God wants you to do, and you will know how good and pleasing and perfect His will really is!" Romans 12:2 (NLT)

2. **STOP being led by \_\_\_\_\_.**

3. **STOP following \_\_\_\_\_ who aren't led by God.**

"Do not let anyone lead you the wrong way! Christ is righteous, so to be like Christ, you must do what is right... And anyone who keeps on sinning is being led by the Devil." 1 John 3:7-8a (NCV)

4. **STOP being led by \_\_\_\_\_.**

"We've all strayed away like sheep! We have left God's path to follow our own..." Isaiah 53:6

## 5 STARTS

1. **I must \_\_\_\_\_ to be led by God.**

"Without faith it is impossible to please God, for he who comes to God must believe that He is, and that He is a rewarder of those who diligently seek Him." Hebrews 11:6

2. **I must be \_\_\_\_\_ to do what God says.**

3. **I must look to \_\_\_\_\_.**

4. **I must \_\_\_\_\_ the Holy Spirit to be my guide.**

5. **I must \_\_\_\_\_ for God's response.**

Psalm 77:19 - "Your road led by a pathway through the sea—a pathway \_\_\_\_\_"

## LIFE GROUP QUESTIONS (Audio, video, & sermon notes are online at HBChurch.net)

**The Spring Session lasts until the week of June 16.**

To have the best discussions, please fill out these questions **before** arriving at your Life Group.  
Remember: one of the best ways to grow spiritually is in relationship with other growing Christians.

## 1. SHARE PRAYER REQUESTS AND ANSWERED PRAYERS:

**2. REVIEWING SUNDAY:** What blessed you the most from Sunday's worship service and sermon? What did God's Spirit say to your heart?

## 3. DISCUSSING THE BIBLE:

a) ***"Do not let anyone lead you the wrong way. Christ is righteous. So to be like Christ a person must do what is right."*** **1 John 3:7** (NCV) Peer pressure can lead us the wrong way and cause us to miss God's plan. Share a time when you felt peer pressure took precedence over doing what was right, or a time when you rejected peer pressure, and describe the outcome.

b) We must not follow friends who are not led by God, so why does God want us to have non-believers as friends? How can we protect ourselves from the negative influence of non-believing friends or co-workers or family members?

c) ***"You may feel you're on the right road and still end up dead."*** **Proverbs 14:12** (CEV) We can experience anger, depression, or panic in real and intense ways, though these feelings are temporary. What actions can we take to prevent ourselves from making rash choices in the midst of an intense emotion?

d) **Read Deuteronomy 18:9-14.** The Bible teaches that we should never look to psychics, fortune tellers, or the stars for wisdom. People who do these things are doing evil, and God hates it. Why is it evil? Why does God hate it? Why do people consult psychics or horoscopes instead of relying on God and following His Word and wisdom?

e) ***"Your word is a lamp to guide my feet and a light for my path."*** **Psalm 119:105** (NLT) Share a time when you prayed for direction and God answered unmistakably through your daily devotion in God's Word.

## 4. MISSIONS: Read Matthew 10:42 and 25:34-40; Proverbs 22:9; Romans 12:13.

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