



**PART THREE:  
PURPOSE**

*Connect Group Discussion Guide  
Sunday, March 30, 2025*



**RESTORATION**LIFE  
CHURCH

# PURPOSE

*Psalm 23, 42:11, 106:8; 1 John 2:12; 2 Peter 3:9; Isaiah 53:6*

## ICE BREAKER

If you could go back in time and change history, what would you change? Why?

## GOING DEEPER

- 1) Sheep sometimes become trapped in life-threatening situations out of which they can't escape without the help of their shepherd. How is that similar to the situations that humans often get themselves into? Have you ever faced a situation like that?
- 2) Read Psalm 23:3. Sheep need to be led by their shepherd because they are very short-sighted. How does that relate to us as members of God's flock?
- 3) Understanding our human nature to be short-sighted, why is it so important for us to keep our eyes on Jesus?
- 4) Psalm 23:3 says that he leads us in paths of righteousness for His name's sake. What does it mean that He does it "for His name's sake"?
- 5) Read 2 Peter 3:9. How does this verse inform us about God's purpose for our lives?

## GOD'S TRUTH TO REMEMBER

*Psalm 23:1-3 (MEV)* - The LORD is my shepherd; I shall not want. He makes me lie down in green pastures; He leads me beside still waters. He restores my soul; He leads me in paths of righteousness for His name's sake.

## OUR SHEPHERD WILL...

1. Get you back on your feet.
2. Get you moving in the right direction.
3. Use you to make a difference in the world for His glory.

## THIS WEEK'S HOMEWORK

### 1. **Memorize Psalm 23:3.**

When you awaken in the morning, before you fall asleep at night, and as many times throughout the day as possible, repeat the first three verses of this psalm.

### 2. **Practice spiritual breathing.**

If sin creeps its way into your daily life and knocks you off your feet, don't stay down. Instead, ask Jesus to forgive your sin and put you back on your feet.

### 3. **Begin each day with a request for guidance.**

At the beginning of each day, ask God to reveal the "path of righteousness" He has prepared for you today.

### 4. **End each day with a moment of reflection.**

At the end of each day, take a moment to review the day's successes.

## PRAYER REQUESTS

(List prayer requests here so you can pray for them all week long.)

# SERMON NOTES