

The Perfect Leading And Care Of Our Great Shepherd

"The Lord is my Shepherd; I shall not want.

He makes me lie down in green pastures; He leads me beside the still waters." Psalm 23:1-2

He leads me. I certainly need someone to lead me. I am so poor, so blind, so weak, so foolish that, if left to myself, I would fatally err. Lord, never leave me nor forsake me, lest I be undone.

My Shepherd leads me gently and wisely. He makes no mistakes. He knows the way I ought to go. He knows how much sweet and how much bitter, are best for me. He understands me fully. Oh, how He mingles mercy with judgment!

True, He leads me often in a mysterious way. I see not the end from the beginning. I cannot see afar off. His footsteps are in the sea; clouds and thick darkness surround Him. He gives account of none of His matters. His judgments are a great deep. But He never does wrong. He leads me in the paths of righteousness.

He leads me always – in prosperity and in adversity; in joy and in sorrow. If He left me even for an hour I would be undone.

When

I sleep, You, Lord, keep vigil over me.

When

I awake, I am still with You.

On
the land and on the sea,

I am kept by Your mighty power.

He leads me – and I will follow Him. I will put my hand in His – and go
wherever His prudence shall direct.

“Teach me Your way, O LORD, and lead me in a plain path” *Psalm 27:11*

“From the end of the earth I cry to You when my heart is faint; Lead me to
the Rock higher than I.” *Psalm 61:2*

-William Plumer