



## GOD IS FOR US

### SPOTLIGHT

If you would like to get updates on how you can reach out to help our cities during this difficult time, please let us [know here](#).

### GET TALKING

Take some time as a group and have an honest conversation about your fears, emotions, and thought during this time of unrest and pray for each other.

### MESSAGE HIGHLIGHTS

Psalms 23:6, Psalm 51

- God's mercy is for us
- God's goodness is for us
- God's home is for us
- Jesus is our Good Shepherd

### DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

1. David was CERTAIN of the goodness and mercy of God. In these very uncertain times, which of God's unchanging qualities are most meaningful to you?
2. Read Psalm 51:1-4, 10-11. As you look at these verses what needs to be present for true repentance to take place? Share a time when God created a clean heart in you, renewed your spirit, or changed your heart and thinking to align with His?
3. List the things that the Good Shepherd, Jesus, does for us. If He does those things for us, how can we lead others in the same way? What can hinder us from leading others in this way?
4. Let's take a few minutes and be honest with each other. How would you describe your relationship with God right now? Have the hard times brought you closer to Him, or do you feel more separated at this time? Listen to each other with openness and lift each other up in prayer.



## Next Steps & Prayer

Read this together as a response prayer – group members read the first line, then leader responds with what Jesus says.

The Lord is my shepherd, I shall not want

– Jesus says, “I am the Good Shepherd.”

He makes me lie down in green pastures

– Jesus says “Come to me all who are weary and heavy laden and you will find rest for your souls.”

He leads me beside still waters

– Jesus says “If anyone thirsts, let him come to me and drink.”

He restores my soul

– Jesus says “I am the resurrection and the life.”

He leads me in paths of righteousness for his name’s sake

– Jesus says “I am the way the truth and the life, no one comes to the Father except through me.”

Even though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil

– Jesus says “I am the light of the world.” He is the light in our darkest valleys.

For you are with me

– Jesus says “Behold, I am with you always, even until the end of the age.”

Your rod and your staff; they comfort me

– Jesus says “I will send you the Comforter, The Holy Spirit, to be with you forever.”

You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies

– Jesus says “I am the bread of life.”

You anoint my head with oil; my cup overflows

– Jesus says “I came that you might have life and have it abundantly.”

Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life

– Jesus says “I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep.”

And I shall dwell in the house of the Lord forever

– Jesus says “In my Father’s house are many rooms. If it were not so, would I have told you that I go to prepare a place for you?”