

Daily Morning Message

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Daily Lectionary Readings *Psalm 23*
Exodus 24:1-8
1 Peter 5:1-14

Today's Scripture Verse: *Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life, and I shall dwell in the house of the Lord forever. (Psalm 23:6)*

What it means: This is the final declaration of the 23rd Psalm. It expresses the confidence of one who has found the goodness and mercy of God reliable throughout his life, so that he has found God to be his dwelling place. The word "forever" is not a literal translation. The Hebrew is better rendered "my whole life long," or "for length of days." Still I think the word "forever" conveys the feeling intended. The psalmist seems to see no limit to God's shepherdly care.

Our time of prayer: God, be our shepherd, that our lives may be guided by your wisdom and held in your love.

