

December 18



BIBLE PASSAGE

Psalm 23

STORY

“The Lord Is My Shepherd” (Chapter 39)

GOSPEL CONNECTION

King David knew God’s goodness and mercy all the days of his life, and someday he will dwell in the house of the Lord forever. But while David was living on earth, he never met the greatest shepherd, who came from his family tree. He never met Jesus. When Jesus came to earth, he taught that he was a shepherd and that those who heard his voice would follow him like sheep (John 10:3, 4). He also said, “I am the good shepherd . . .[who] lays down his life for the sheep” (John 10:11). Jesus is not only the good shepherd. He is a sheep too. Do you remember the Passover lamb? When Jesus arrived, his cousin John said, “Behold the Lamb of God, who takes away the sins of the world” (John 1:29). Jesus is our Passover Lamb, which means he’s the Lamb who takes away our sins. Jesus leads us and protects us and feeds us. But most importantly, through his death, he takes away our sins so we can be forgiven. And because we are forgiven, we can dwell in the presence of God forever. Jesus is the perfect sheep to save us from our sins and the perfect shepherd to bring us safely home.

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