



Life Group Discussion Questions
HOPE FOR CAST DOWN SHEEP

Psalm 23

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1. What is the soul? Are we a soul? Or do we have a soul? Explore and discuss? Ps. 25:1; 42:2; Gen. 12:5; Lev. 2:1; Lev. 11:44-45; Gen. 26:35; Job 21:4; Eccl. 7:9.

2. How does the Good Shepherd restore our soul?

3. When a sheep is cast down, it describes a condition where the sheep has rolled over, its feet to the sky and now it is totally helpless and it needs the touch of the shepherd to make his world come into the right footing (Ps. 42:11). How does Jesus do this in the life of His followers?

Where do you need the touch of the Shepherd today to make your world right side up?

4. In Psalm 19:7, it calls Scripture the “law of the Lord” and it states that it is perfect without fault without blame and it can revive the soul. How does the Shepherd use the Word of God to revive our souls?

5. Restoring is a word that has to do with renewal. How do you receive this renewal? Can you give it away to others?

6. When a sheep’s wool becomes too long it can become a problem for the sheep and increase the probability of becoming cast down and vulnerable to attack. Keller in his book, makes the statement “Wool in Scripture depicts the old self-life in the Christian. He states, “it is the outward expression of an inner attitude, the assertion of my own desires and hopes and aspirations.” What areas of your life have become problems for you (habitual sins; lack of discipline; disobedience; etc...)? What areas are weighing you down?

7. What are your thoughts, questions, or comments on today’s lesson?