

Be Still
and Know
that I AM God

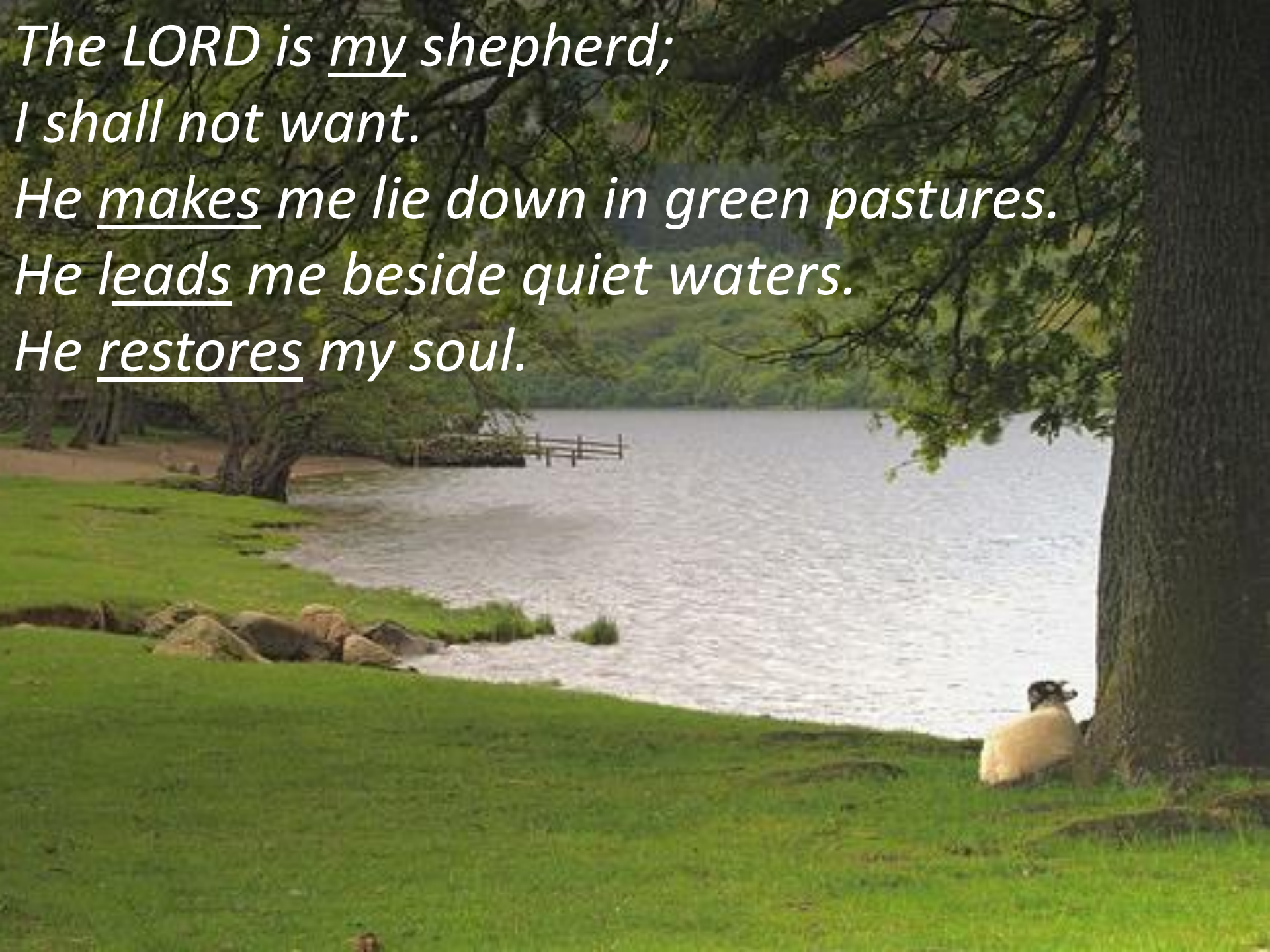


*The LORD is my shepherd;
I shall not want.*

He makes me lie down in green pastures.

He leads me beside quiet waters.

He restores my soul.



*But Jesus
often
withdrew
to lonely places
and
prayed.*

Luke 5:16



After he had dismissed the crowds, he went up on the mountain by himself to pray. When evening came, he was there alone

Matt. 14:23

Rising very early in the morning, while it was still dark, he departed and went out to a desolate place, and there he prayed

Mark 1:35



When it was day, he departed and went into a desolate place

Luke 4:42

Jesus not only modeled prayer in solitude, He exhorted us to do the same: “But when you pray, go into your room and shut the door and pray to your Father who is in secret”

Matt. 6:6



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*God speaks through His Word.
That's our starting point.
He whispers to us through
doors, dreams, and desires.
He converses with us through
promptings, pain, and other people.*

*Whisper: How to Hear the Voice of God
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And behold, the LORD passed by, and a great and strong wind tore the mountains and broke in pieces the rocks before the LORD, but the LORD was not in the wind. And after the wind an earthquake, but the LORD was not in the earthquake. And after the earthquake a fire, but the LORD was not in the fire. And after the fire the sound of a low whisper. And when Elijah heard it, he wrapped his face in his cloak and went out and stood at the entrance of the cave.

1 Kings 19:11-13

I used to think God didn't speak to me very often or maybe he didn't have much to say to me. I have learned over the years I am rarely close enough, still enough, and attuned enough to pick up the whisper...God is always whispering—always. It is my highest calling to draw near and listen. I would say it is your calling too.

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- *Trust your Good Father to speak to you*
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- *“Speak Lord your servant is listening”*
- *Test it – Scripture and Vivian’s Sermon Insights*
- *Write it down*



**The Enemy of Your Soul (speaks hopelessness)
condemns, rushes, pushes, frightens, confuses,
discourages, worries, obsesses, and shames**

**The LORD (speaks hope)
convicts, stills, leads, reassures, enlightens,
encourages, comforts, calms, supports, and
values**

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