

WCBC SERMON NOTES - FEBRUARY 5, 2017

TOPIC: THE GREAT SHEPHERD'S BLESSINGS

Sermon 3: He Restores My Soul!

TEXT: Psalm 51:1-12; 23:3

INTRO:

- Downcast Sheep!

I. WHY DO SHEEP NEED RESTORATION?

Note: What is the reason(s) sheep require reviving and recovery from being a "downcast?"

1. They want comfort!

Note: Sheep look for a soft, comfortable, rounded hollow in the hillside wherein they may lay down.

2. They have grown too much wool!

Note: Over time, a sheep's wool becomes long, heavy, and covered with mud, manure, and other debris.

3. They have become too fat!

Note: Sheep will literally eat all the grass out of one area if the shepherd does not move them on!

II. WHAT RESTORES SHEEP?: Psalm 19:7

Note: What did David mention as THE factor that revives the sheep! Answer: God's Word! - Psalm 19:7

*Sheep constantly are grazing 5-7 hours daily!

III. HOW DOES THE WORD OF GOD RESTORE SHEEP? Psalm 23b; 119:105

Note We've learned that God's Word, according to Psalm 19:7, is THE element that restores, revives a sheep!

1. We should live out God's Word in our daily lives - Psalm 119:9
2. We should hide God's Word in our hearts - Psalm 119:11

CONCLUSION: David's Sincere Plea!

The 23rd Channel!

The TV is my shepherd. My spiritual growth shall want. It maketh me to sit down and do nothing for its name's sake, because it requireth all my spare time. It keepeth me from doing my duty as a Christian, because it presenteth so many good shows that I must see.

It restoreth my knowledge of the things of the world, and keepeth me from the study of God's Word. It leadeth me in the paths of failing to attend the evening church services, and doing nothing in the kingdom of God.

Yea, though I live to be a hundred, I shall keep viewing my TV as long as it will work, for it is my closest companion. Its sounds and pictures, they comfort me.

It presenteth entertainment before me, and keepeth me from doing important things with my family. It fills my head with ideas which differ from those in the Word of God.

Surely no good thing will come out of my life because of so many wasted hours, and I shall dwell in my regrets and remorse forever! - Selected

Verse For Today

"The LORD is my Shepherd; I shall not be in want. He makes me lie down in green pastures, He leads me beside quiet waters, He restores my soul. He guides me in paths of righteousness for His name's sake!"-Psa.23:1-3

Thought For Today

"People are sheep. TV is the shepherd!" - Jess C. Scott

Happy Chinese New Year To All!

