SERMON NOTES

SERMON DATE: Sunday, November 10, 2019 - AM Service

SERMON TITLE: Do You Know Him By Name? "JEHOVAH-ROHI"

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BIBLE TEXT: PSALM 23

Introduction:

Psalm 23: the 'gem' of the Psalms

David looks back at his early days as a shepherd

David's background:

- Experienced conflict
- A man of war
- Had family dysfunction
- Experienced personal disappointments
- Guilty of murdering Uriah
- Involved in an adulterous relationship
- Family's fighting led to several deaths
- Experienced the pain of losing a son to death
- Experienced the pain of another son rebelling against him

Through it all, David discovered that God was his tender **Shepherd**.

JEHOVAH-ROHI: The Lord our Shepherd

Jehovah = the self-revealing One or self-existing One **Rohi** = to tend (shepherd)

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The Shepherd and Our Frailties (vs 1-3)

To understand Psalm 23, we must understand the nature of sheep

- A. The Contentment of Jehovah-Rohi
 - a. "Contentment is not having everything you want. Contentment is wanting everything you have."
- B. The Care of Jehovah-Rohi (vs 2-3)
 - a. Jehovah-Rohi "maketh me lie down"
 - b. He "leads us to still water"
 - c. He does not leave or forsake us
 - d. He restores our souls

The Shepherd and Our Foes (vs 4)

- A. The Companionship of Jehovah-Rohi
 - a. "Thou art with me"
 - b. The illustration of Footprints in the sand
- B. The Confidence in Jehovah-Rohi
 - a. The rod shepherd used this to protect the sheep
 - b. The staff shepherd used this to pull the sheep from harm, to direct the sheep, or to discipline the sheep

The Shepherd and Our Future

- A. The Communion of Jehovah-Rohi (vs 5)
 - a. Jehovah-Rohi takes care of us
 - b. Jehovah-Rohi provides for our tomorrow
- B. The Certainty of Jehovah-Rohi (vs 6)
 - a. "Surely" = we can be certain; we can count on God
 - b. The illustration of the sheep dog
 - i. Goodness: supplies our needs
 - ii. Mercy: blots out our sins

Conclusion:

- Join the Shepherd's flock
- Stay close to the Shepherd
- Follow wherever He leads

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