

# Psalm 23

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## **Psalm 23**

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

**2 He maketh me to lie down in green pastures: he leadeth me beside the still waters.**

**3 He restoreth my soul: he leadeth me in the paths of righteousness for his name's sake.**



**4 Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil: for thou art with me; thy rod and thy staff they comfort me.**

**5 Thou preparest a table before me in the presence of mine enemies: thou anointest my head with oil; my cup runneth over.**

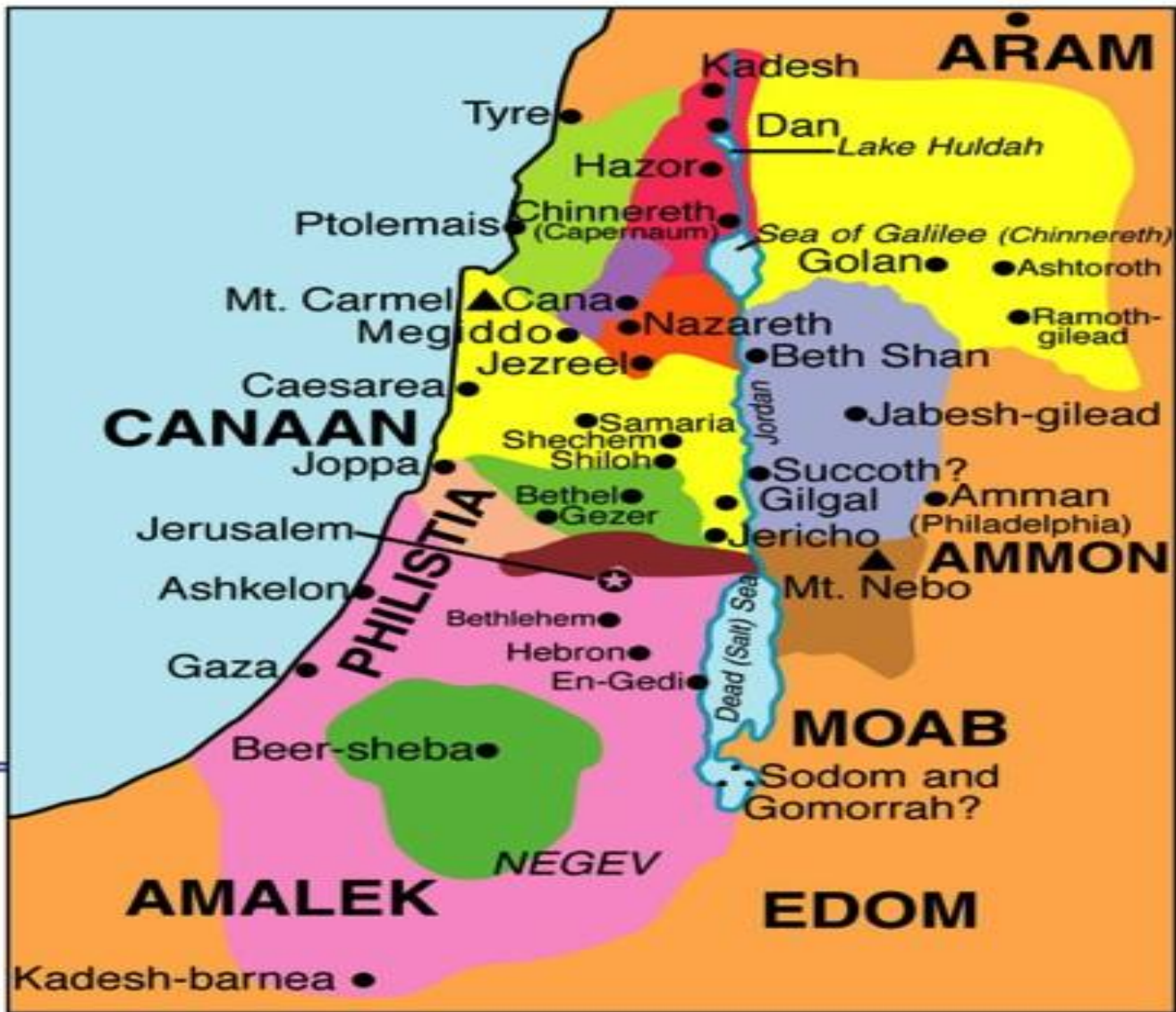
**6 Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life: and I will dwell in the house of the LORD for ever.**



# **I. The Shepherd as Leader (vs. 1-4)**



# The Biblical Landscape



# The Bible Landscape

JUDEAN/NEGEV DESERT



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**The  
Shepherd's  
Duty**

Jeremiah 3:15

And I will give you pastors  
according to mine heart,  
**which shall feed you  
with knowledge and  
understanding.**



**The Shepherd was one who needed skill and knowledge to both lead the sheep and navigate the terrain.**

**Dangerous Canyons**

**Sandstorms and flash floods**

**Predators (Lions, Bears, Wolves)**

**Poisonous Plants**

**Poisonous Insects**



**23:1** The LORD is my shepherd; **I shall not  
want.**



**Shepherd as leader  
cont'd**

**<sup>2</sup> He maketh me to lie down in  
green pastures:**



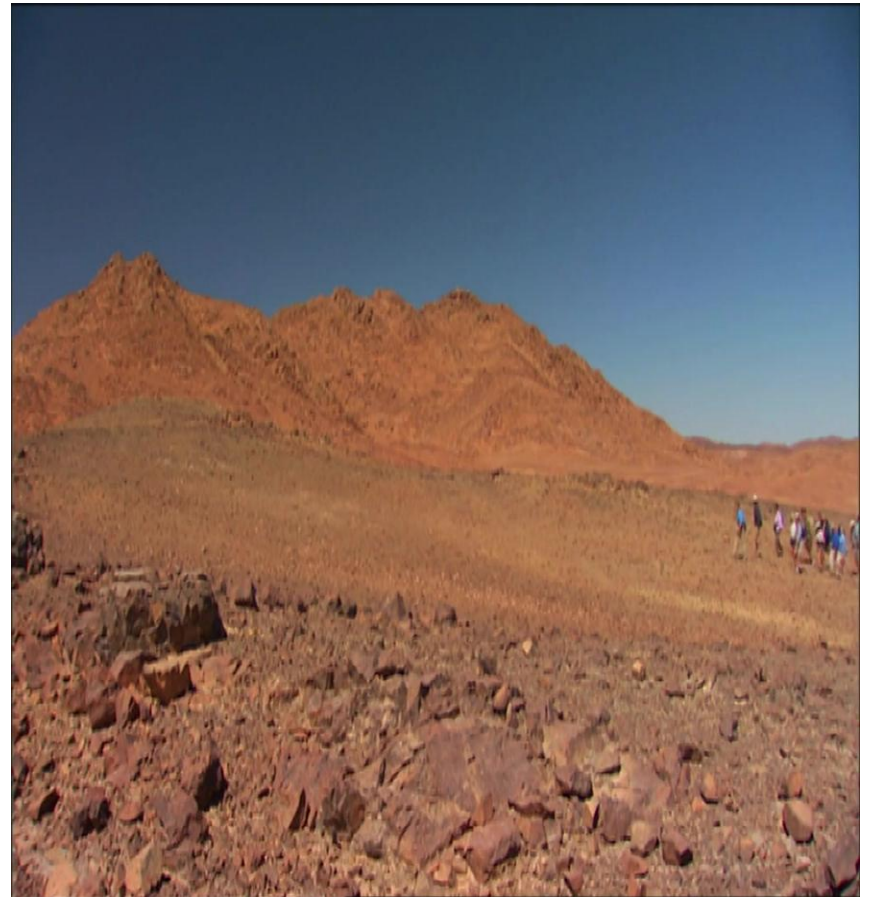
# Western World View of Green Pastures

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# The Bible Landscape

## Judean/Negev Desert



# Judean desert green pastures



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He leadeth me beside still waters

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