

# *A Shepherd Looks At Psalm 23*

## Chapter Three

Verse 2 from missionary Bob Burgess; a personal translation:

In the middle of the day He causes me to rest in lush meadows, and in the cool of the evening He leads me to still, pure waters. I am well cared for.

What fears must sheep be free of in order to lie down?

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- 2.
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Describe a fear that has, or is, affecting your life. What is your usual response to this fear? What advice does the author give on this subject, and how can you apply it to your circumstance?

Read Ezekiel 34. Make note of the particular verses that relate to Psalm 23:2. What warning does God give?

What does the author state as the remedy for jealousy and rivalry in our own human interactions?

What is the antidote available to us when we are “bugged” by something or someone?

The Old Testament account of Israel moving from Egypt to the Promised Land is a picture of us \_\_\_\_\_

From page 55, list the work Jesus does on our behalf:

Have you ever fed on the “barren ground of the world” and chosen “inferior” food? What was the result?

**From “Powerful Promises for Every Woman” by Elizabeth George:**

**It’s been said that there are three primary positions for handling life’s difficulties---struggling, clinging, and resting. The classic illustration for these three positions is that of a shipwreck when people are thrown into the sea and fighting for their lives.**

**In the struggling position they are in the water, fighting with the waves, and are in need of help themselves. In the clinging position they are holding on to the lifeboat; they are quite safe themselves, but cannot help anyone else, because both their hands are holding on for dear life! In the resting position they are sitting in the lifeboat with both hands free to help others.**

**God promises to give you rest, not only for the nourishment and strength that comes to yourself, but also for what your invigorated life can do for others. The goal for every woman should be to grow beyond struggling and clinging to the position of *resting in the Lord* so that she is able to help others.**