Sunday Sermon's

AM & PM - The Real Shepherd - Psalm 23 - Ray Pack

South Jackson Beacon

"I am **the light of the world**. He who follows Me shall not walk in darkness, but have **the light of** life."

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South Jackson Events Today Youth Devo

Each Tuesday Morning

Dorcas Class, 10:00 a.m.

April 17th

Men's Business Meeting 3:30 p.m.

Area Events

April 10th - 13th

Gospel Meetting at North Jackson with Steve Higginbotham speaking

April 16th

Ladies' Day at Austin Chapel April 17th - 20th Gospel Meeting at Finger Brian Kenyon speaking

April 20th - 24th

37th Annual Phillips Street Lecture Ladies Day on Saturday, the 23rd

April 23rd

Ladies' Day at Middleton

Those Privileged to Serve

Apr 10th- MORNING WORSHIP 6 A.M. Bobby Richardson, Seth Newell

Announcements: Mike Wages

Lead Singing: John Smith Read Scripture: Costel Ghimpu Opening Prayer: Bobby Richardson Sermon: Ray Pack Closing Prayer: Les Farough

Communion:

Joe Venable, Philip Love, Jonathan Orr F. Kidder, Ken Wadley, Harold Davis

Greeters: M/M Costel Ghimpu or Lana Ghimpu , Reba Donaldson

Nursery Att: A.M. Carlet James P.M. Debi Helton

Apr 10th- EVENING WORSHIP

Lead Singing: Les Farough Opening Prayer: Joe Venable Sermon: Ray Pack Closing Prayer: Seth Newell Communion: Chip Thomas, Walt Ferguson

Apr 13th - WED BIBLE STUDY

Lead Singing: Les Farough Opening Prayer: Gaylon Cooper Invitation: Kenneth Moody Closing Prayer: Walt Ferguson

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~News and Notes~

PRAYERS ARE REQUESTED FOR THE FOLLOWING PEOPLE:

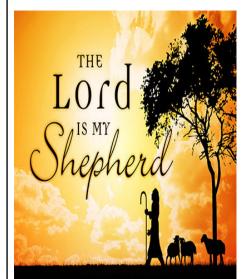
Members: Diana McConnell, Ron and Nadine McDonald, Inez Rigsby, Teresa Yearwood, Ted Lingren, Helen Avent, Fredie Stewart, and Cindy Kidder

Friends & Family: Horace Yearwood, Matthew Howard

Send your cards this week to:

Louise Hopper 36 Meadowbrook Jackson, TN 38301

James and Jeanette Morris 184 Old Pinson Rd. Jackson, TN 38301



Psalm 23

Pantry Item this week Canned Carrots **Those Privileged to Serve**

Apr 17th- MORNING WORSHIP 6 A.M. Les Farough Announcements: Mike Wages

Lead Singing: Mike Wages Read Scripture: Jeff Cogdell Opening Prayer: Ken Ross Sermon: Ray Pack Closing Prayer: Chip Thomas

Communion: Joe Venable, Philip Love, Jonathan Orr F. Kidder, Ken Wadley, Harold Davis

Greeters: Panda, Quantum, and Nijerika Green Nursery Att: A.M. Charnae James P.M. Sandra Jones

Apr 17th- EVENING WORSHIP

Lead Singing: Chip Thomas Opening Prayer: Seth Newell Sermon: Ray Pack Closing Prayer: Bobby Richardson Communion: Chip Thomas, Walt Ferguson

Apr 20th - WED BIBLE STUDY

Lead Singing: Chip Thomas Opening Prayer: Freeman Kidder Invitation: Ray Pack Closing Prayer: Seth Newell

Weekly Record

6 a.m. Worship	10
Sun. Morning Bible Study	78
Sunday Morning Worship	124
Sunday Evening Worship	93
Wed. Bible Study	89
Contribution	\$3540

VBS - June 20th - 23rd

Psalm 1

Because they reflect the deepest personal experiences of men of all ages, the Psalms are the most widely read and most deeply appreciated of all the Old Testament literature. They possess a unique tone that is not to be found in just quite such a way anywhere else in the Hebrew Bible. Even many who know little regarding Scripture know, or at least have read, the 23rd psalm. Psalm 1 offers an interesting object of study for various reasons including the fact that it is the first psalm penned in this book of 150.

When one begins reading in Psalm 1, they quickly find that there is no author listed and no superscription to assist us in reconstructing the historical situation in which the poem was composed. Little help is found in the text either, since the references are rather general. These facts, however, though they may not provide great assistance to us in our efforts to interpret the psalm, may actually encourage us—as we can then make application to our own lives.

Some feel that Psalm 1 bears close connection contextually with Psalm 2. Some have felt this so strongly that they are willing to believe that they are, in fact, one psalm and not two. Briefly we may notice here the facts that Psalm 2 begins with judgment where Psalm 1 ends with judgment. We also see that Psalm 1 starts with a benediction similar to that found at the end of Psalm 2. Also, there is a clear parallel between the expression in Psalm 1:6 "... the way of the ungodly shall perish," and the rebels of Psalm 2:12 who are said to "... perish in the way." Perhaps caution is urged in trying to find too many elements of comparison that are based on man's wisdom, but these are noted for one to do further study.

Some Bible students have noted the connection between the two ways of the Savior in Mt. 7:13, 14, and the two ways described here in such vivid contrast. It is not demonstrable that Jesus was thinking about this passage since the same general concept may be widely observed in the Old Testament literature, especially the Psalter and Proverbs; yet it is certain that this is the general backdrop of our Lord's thought.

Whether or not Psalm 1 was placed at the beginning of the book as a preface, it is certainly not too much to suggest that it could have been composed for such a purpose. Psalm 1 paints in broad but beautiful strokes, a picture of human life. Such life either honors God and His law or comes to despise him. The theme expressed in seed thought here is reiterated throughout the book of Psalms. The truly blessed life is closely connected with honoring God. To really believe this is to give our attention to the cultivation of personal relationship with God.

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