

**Psalm 23 – Shepherd Me O God**

**Refrain:**

**Shepherd me, O God, beyond my wants, beyond my fears, from death into life.**

**Verses:**

God is my shepherd, so nothing shall I want,  
I rest in the meadows of faithfulness and love,  
I walk by the quiet waters of peace.

Gently you raise me and heal my weary soul,  
You lead me by pathways of righteousness and truth,  
My spirit shall sing the music of your name.

Though I should wander the valley of death,  
I fear no evil, for you are at my side,  
Your rod and your staff, my comfort and my hope.

You have set me a banquet of love,  
In the face of hatred,  
Crowning me with love beyond my power to hold.

Surely your kindness and mercy follow me,  
All the days of my life,  
I will dwell in the house of my God forever more.

**Psalm 23 – The Lord is My Shepherd (Alstott)**

**Refrain:**

**The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.**

**Verses:**

The Lord is my shepherd, I shall not want,  
In verdant pastures he gives me repose,  
Beside restful waters he leads me, he refreshes my soul.

He guides me in right paths for his name's sake,  
Even though I walk in the dark valley I fear no evil,  
For you are at my side with your rod and your staff that give me courage.

You spread the table before me in the sight of my foes,  
You anoint my head with oil, my cup overflows.

Only goodness and kindness follow me all the days of my life,  
And I shall dwell in the house of the Lord for years to come.

**Psalm 25 – To You O Lord (Alstott)**

**Refrain:**

To you, O Lord, I lift my soul. To you, O Lord, I lift up my prayer.

**Verses:**

I will follow your ways, O Lord,  
I will walk in your paths,  
For you are my savior and my God.

Of my weakness and sinfulness,  
Be not mindful, O Lord,  
In your kindness, Lord, remember me.

Put an end to my suffering,  
Bring me out of distress,  
And relieve the troubles of my heart.

I will place all my trust in you,  
I will not be ashamed,  
For I know that you, O Lord, are near.

**Psalm 27 – The Lord is My Light (DeBruyn)**

**Refrain:**

**The Lord is my light, the Lord is my light, the Lord is my light and my salvation.**

**Verses:**

The Lord is my light and my salvation,  
If God is my help, whom should I fear?

The Lord is my refuge, my stronghold and my strength,  
Why should I be afraid?

There is but one thing that I want,  
To live in the dwelling place of God,  
To look all my days on the beauty of the Lord,  
And contemplate God's holy temple.

I shall see for myself the grace of God,  
The dawn of that day among the living,  
Wait for the Lord, find strength in your hearts, have courage and wait for God.

**Psalm 63 – My Soul is Thirsting**

**Refrain:**

**My soul is thirsting for you, O Lord my God.**

**Verses:**

O God, you are my God, whom I seek,  
For you my flesh pines and my soul thirsts,  
Like the earth, parched,  
Lifeless and without water.

Thus have I gazed toward you in the sanctuary,  
To see your power and your glory,  
For your kindness is greater good than life,  
My lips shall glorify you.

Thus will I bless you while I live,  
Lifting up my hands I will call upon your name,  
As with the riches of a banquet shall my soul be satisfied,  
And with exultant lips my mouth shall praise you.

You are my help,  
And in the shadow of your wings I shout for joy,  
My soul clings fast to you,  
Your right hand upholds me.

**Psalm 103 – The Lord is Kind and Merciful**

**Refrain:**

**The Lord is kind and merciful.**

**Verses:**

Merciful and gracious is the Lord,  
Slow to anger and abounding in kindness,  
Not according to our sins does he deal with us,  
Nor does he requite us according to our crimes.

As a father has compassion on his children,  
So the Lord has compassion on those who fear him,  
For he knows how we are formed,  
Her remembers that we are dust.

Man's days are like those of grass,  
Like a flower of the field he blooms,  
The wind sweeps over him and he is gone,  
And his place knows him no more.

But the kindness of the Lord is from eternity,  
To eternity toward those who fear him,  
And his justice toward children's children,  
Among those who keep his covenant and remember to fulfill his people.

**Psalm 116 – I Will Walk Before the Lord**

**Refrain:**

**I will walk before the Lord, in the land of the living.**

**Verses:**

I believed, even when I said,  
I am greatly afflicted,  
Precious in the eyes of the Lord,  
Is the death of his faithful ones.

I Lord, I am your servant, I am your servant, the son of your handmaid,  
You have loosed my bonds,  
To you will I offer sacrifice of thanksgiving,  
And I will call upon the name of the Lord.

My vows to the Lord I will pay,  
In the presence of all his people,  
In the courts of the house of the Lord,  
In your midst, O Jerusalem.

## Psalm 122 – Let Us Go Rejoicing

**Refrain:**

**Let us go rejoicing to the house of the Lord.**

**Verses:**

I rejoiced because they said to me,  
We will go up to the house of the Lord,  
And now we have set foot,  
Within your gates, O Jerusalem.

Jerusalem, built as a city,  
With compact unity,  
To it the tribes go up,  
The tribes of the Lord.

According to the decree for Israel,  
To give thanks to the name of the Lord,  
In it are set up judgement seats,  
Seats for the house of David.

Pray for the peace of Jerusalem,  
May those who love you prosper,  
May peace be within your walls,  
Prosperity in your buildings.

Because of my brothers and friends,  
I will say “Peace be within you”,  
Because of the house of the Lord, our God,  
I will pray for your good.



**Psalm 130 – With the Lord There is Mercy**

**Refrain:**

**With the Lord there is mercy and fullness of redemption.**

**Verses:**

Out of the depths I cry to you, O Lord,  
Lord hear my voice,  
Let your ears be attentive,  
To my voice in supplication.

If you, O Lord, mark iniquities,  
Lord, who can stand?  
But with you is forgiveness,  
That you may be revered.

I trust in the Lord,  
My soul trusts in his word,  
More than sentinels wait for dawn,  
Let Israel wait for the Lord.

For the Lord is kindness,  
And with him is plenteous redemption,  
And he will redeem Israel,  
From all their iniquities.