I KNOW THE PLANS I HAVE FOR YOU - David: Living on a promise Psalm 23

Psalm 23:6 And I will live in the house of the Lord _____

Hebrews 12:1-2 Run with perseverance the race marked out before us_____ our eyes on _____.

Psalm 23:1 The Lord is my _____

David's need:

Philippians 4:19 God shall supply ___ _____ _____ according to his riches in glory

Psalm 23:2 He _____ _____ to lie down in green pastures

David pictures a time of _____ despite the turmoil of his life

John 16:33 I tell you these things so that in me you have _____ in this world you will have _____ but take heart, I have _____ the world.

Psalm 23:3 He _____ my soul

David's sins:

1John 1:9 If we _____ our sins, he is faithful and just and will forgive us our sins and _____ us from all unrighteousness.

Psalm 23:4 Yea, though I walk through the _____

David's darkest valleys:

1 Peter 5:7 Cast _____ your cares upon him, for he _____ of you.

Psalm 23:5 You prepare a table before me in the _____

David's enemies:

Revelation 3:20 Behold! I stand at the door and knock. If _____ hears my voice and opens the door, I will come in and eat with that person, and they with me

Psalm 23:6 I will dwell in the house of the Lord _____

David's promise from God:

Luke 1:32-33 The Lord God will give him the throne of his father _____, and he will reign over Jacob's descendants forever; his kingdom will _____ ____.

John 3:16. For God so loved the world that He gave His one and only son that _____ believes in Him would not perish, but have _____

1. Read Psalm 23. What aspect of this psalm speaks to you the most?

2. Read Hebrews 12:1-3. The writer of Hebrews pictures our life like a race. What do these verses tell us how to run this race? Explain how.

3. Read Psalm 23:1. After David killed the giant Goliath he became an attendant to King Saul and a hero of the people. Because of his popularity, Saul felt threatened & turned on him & tried to kill him. David escaped and spent years on the run constantly in need. Have you had times where your situation suddenly changed - In those times, how does God meet our needs?

4. Read Psalm 23:2. David pictures a time of peace and tranquility in the midst of troubles. Now read John 14:27, 16:33 and Philippians 4:6-7,12. What is required to know God's peace and contentment?

5. Read Psalm 23:3. What were some of the sins that David committed? Now read Psalm 51:1-2 and 1John 1:9. What is necessary for us to have our soul restored?

6. Read Psalm 23:4. David went through some pretty dark times in his life, not the least of which when his son Absalom tried to kill him and take his throne (2 Samuel 18). Read what David says about dealing with his enemies in Psalm 55:22-23. Now read 1 Peter 5:7. Is there anything you need to cast upon Jesus? What does it mean to "cast" our burden's upon Christ?

7. Read Psalm 23:5. David had a lot of enemies in his lifetime. What do you think David meant when he said that God, "prepares a table before him, in the presence of his enemies." Now read Revelation 3:20. Is Jesus wanting to come into your life and set a table for you?

   Since God is setting a table for you, don't ever let the enemy sit at your table, and speak lies - listen only to the truth from the one who is the Truth.

8. Read Psalm 23:6. God had made a promise to David in 2 Samuel 7:16. What was it? Now read Luke 1:32-33 and 2 Corinthians 1:20. David lived his life in light of this promise and with the knowledge of a coming Saviour. What is a promise of God that we can live by? (Also read John 3:16 & 2 Peter 1:3-4).

9. Is there a promise of God that has sustained your life?