

“Taking Long Cool Drinks From God’s Water”

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Highline Christian Church

Message #2—“Practicing the Presence of God” Series

“He makes me lie down in green pastures, he leads me beside the still waters, he restores my soul.” Ps. 23:2-3a

Multitudes have _____ in faith; _____ in peace, and _____ on through sorrow, suffering and loneliness.

1. Lord, Rest Is What We Need!

“He makes me lie down in green pastures.” Ps. 23:2

God creates the _____!

We get weary when we wrestle with the _____

We get tired when our life is loaded with _____

We don’t rest when a _____ is strained

We get worn out when we live with _____ and _____.

Sheep will refuse to lie down unless four requirements are met:

1. Freedom From F _____
2. Freedom From F _____
3. Freedom From F _____
4. Freedom From F _____

Two kinds of peace: To be at peace _____ God and to find peace _____ God.

2. Lord, Refresh Our Dryness!

“...he leads me beside the still waters.” Ps. 23:2

Sheep are afraid of _____ water.

What does water do for us:

Keeps us _____

R _____

E _____

C _____

“The person who knows the Lord as Shepherd knows: 1) God is _____ to satisfy his/her thirst 2) God _____ is able to satisfy his/her thirst.” Larry Crabb

3. Lord, Restore Our Souls!

“He restores my soul.” Ps. 23:3a

To restore means to bring back to its _____.

Sheep may simply tip over and become “c_____”.

Christianity is a series of new _____.

“One day we pause a moment to discover that we have not only estranged ourselves from the flock of God, but we have lost the conscious _____ of the Shepherd.” Robert Ketcham

My _____ was on his _____!