

Prayer for the Nation

Psalm 23 - a source of strength

Psalm 23 has been a source of strength for thousands of years. Let's pause and say it every day at 6 pm through this crisis we now face.

When we are isolated and alone, we remember God is with us; we place our hands in his hands...

> The Lord is my shepherd, I shall not want.

When we are tired and confused...

> He makes me lie down in green pastures; he leads me beside still waters;

When we are worn out with worry...

> He restores my soul. He leads me in right paths for his name's sake.

When we are sick and afraid and if we lose those we love...

> Even though I walk through the darkest valley, I fear no evil; for you are with me; your rod and your staff - they comfort me.

When we face difficulties today and we hope for a better tomorrow...

> You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies; you anoint my head with oil; my cup overflows.

In the face of trouble & difficulty of all kinds, we remember Jesus' promise of life beyond death...

> Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life, and I shall dwell in the house of the Lord my whole life long.