

God's Prescription for Joy: Entrust Your Future to the Shepherd

Psalm 23:6

*Surely goodness and lovingkindness will follow me all the days of my life,
And I will dwell in the house of the Lord forever.*

Many people see God as a rules enforcer that is eager to punish us when we fail. They also see the Bible as His list of extremely complicated commands and sets of do's and don'ts. He is the eternal killjoy! Yet, this is not true. How we see God will change every concept we have about Him. God pursues us with His love. Let's look at how David sees God and discover why he feels that he can entrust his future to Him.

We can have joy because:

1. God is filled with goodness and lovingkindness.
Ephesians 2:4-5, Micah 7:18, James 5:11, Psalm 36:7, 9
2. God pursues me to show me His love.
Psalm 25:10, Jeremiah 31:3, Deuteronomy 23:5, John 15:12, Genesis 24:1
3. God provides me with security.
2 Samuel 22:2, Psalm 18:1-3, 27:4-6, Joshua 20:2-4, John 10:28
4. God is always present with me.
Romans 8:38-39, Matthew 28:20, John 14:1-3, Numbers 6:24-26