Children's CHURCH

During this time at home, we are missing meeting together at Adventurers, Mother's & Toddlers, Saturday Football and our regular Sunday services.

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Psalm 23



The aim of the activity sheets we will be sending out is to get all the family involved by learning together, crafting and talking about the reason Easter is so special and more about Jesus who helps us in these difficult times. Start with the 'Bible Passage' box and continue in any order from there.

Bible Passage

Over the next few weeks we will be exploring some of the Psalms

You can find it in your Bible in:

Psalm 23

John 10 v 11

Read the psalm together – choose a translation or children's bible which will be easy to read as a group. (If you don't have a bible you can download one for free on your

Discussion

A Question for Children to ask Parents: Can you think of a place where you were scared that would be like 'the valley' in v3?

Questions for Parents to ask Children: What does a shepherd do?

Older Children (or Adults): Read John 10 v 11. Jesus our good shepherd cared so much that He died for us.

God can comfort us in 'the valleys' of life — if you know anyone who is unwell they may feel like they are in a valley but you can pray for them and even tell them about Psalm 23 so that they can be comforted too. God leads us in the right paths. Sometimes we go our own way and need to say sorry for this. In v6 God promises that his goodness and love will be with us forever.

Family Activity

You will need: cotton wool, glue, scissors, pens/ gel pens.

Copy the memory verse onto one side of the sheep template on the next page and decorate the other with the above materials.

Fold it in half and cut around the edges. It should then be able to stand on a windowsill to remind you of Psalm 23.

The people of Israel understood the life of a shepherd. Sheep provided them with wool for clothes and meat to eat. Making the connection between God and a shepherd was easy for them because they knew what shepherds were like. A shepherd doesn't just watch sheep, he *cares for* his sheep. He takes them to where food and water are, and he shelters them from storms.

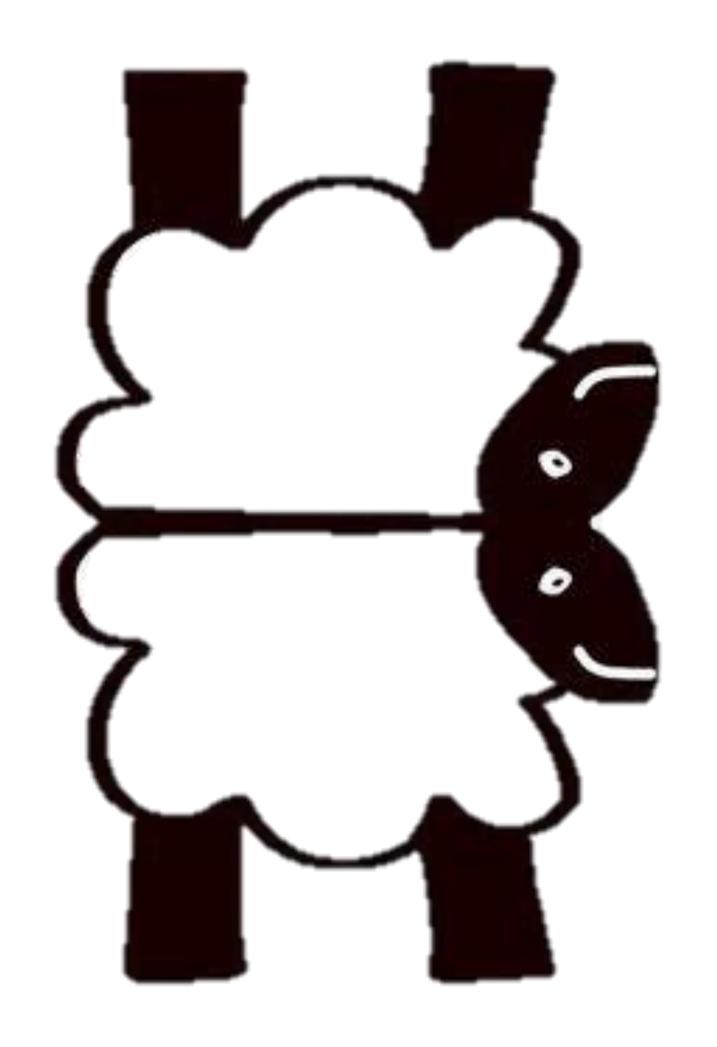
This psalm is a picture to show that Jesus is the shepherd who looks after us, his sheep.

Psalm 23 v 1-3a."The Lord

is my shepherd. I have everything I need. He makes me like down in green pastures and leads me by quiet waters. He restores my soul"

Prayer

Together say a short prayer for things that you feel scared about and others who may be in 'a valley' now. But also thank God that he is our Good Shepherd and so we never need to be afraid.



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Help the shepherd find the sheep by connecting them in the maze below. Then join up the dots and see what you draw that will remind us of Psalm 23!

