Good God <u>The God of My Valleys</u> May 29, 2022



"The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I lack. In green pastures he makes me lie down; to still waters he leads me; he restores my soul. He guides me along right paths for the sake of his name. Even though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil, for you are with me." Psalm 23:1-4 (NAB)

What we know about valleys:

1. Valleys are ______.

"The land that you are about to enter is a land of mountains and valleys, a land watered by rain." Deuteronomy 11:11(GNT)

"Dear friends, don't be bewildered or surprised when you go through the fiery trials ahead, for this is no strange, unusual thing that is going to happen to you." 1 Peter 4:12 (TLB)

2. Valleys are ______.

"The good man does not escape all troubles—he has them too. But the Lord helps him in each and every one." Psalm 34:19 (TLB)

"He gives his sunlight to both the evil and the good, and sends rain on the just and on the unjust too." Matthew 5:45 (TLB)

3. Valleys are ______.

"Don't brashly announce what you're going to do tomorrow; you don't know the first thing about tomorrow." Proverbs 27:1 (MSG)

What kind of valleys to expect:

- 1. <u>The Valley of Siddim</u> Genesis 14:1-12
 - Siddim is the valley of _____.

Where you _____, ____, and _____

2. The Valley of Eschol – Numbers 13:23-33

Eschol is the valley of ______.

Where you either _____, or _____.

3. The Valley of Elah – 1 Samuel 17

Elah is the valley of ______.

Where you face a _____

4. The Valley of Baca – Psalm 84:5-7

Baca is the valley of ______.

What to remember in a valley:

1. Remember, I am _____

"Even though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil, for you are with me" Psalm 23:4 (NAB)

"When you go through deep waters, I will be with you. When you go through rivers of difficulty, you will not drown. When you walk through the fire of oppression, you will not be burned up; the flames will not consume you." Isaiah 43:2 (NLT)

2. Remember, that ______ for this valley.

"We also boast of our troubles, because we know that trouble produces endurance, endurance brings God's approval, and his approval creates hope. This hope does not disappoint us, for God has poured out his love into our hearts by means of the Holy Spirit, who is God's gift to us." Romans 5:3-5 (GNI)

"I will transform the Valley of Trouble into a gateway of hope." Hosea 2:15 (NLT)

3. Remember, the ______.

"For our present troubles are small and won't last very long. Yet they produce for us a glory that vastly outweighs them and will last forever! So we don't look at the troubles we can see now; rather, we fix our gaze on things that cannot be seen" 2 Corinthians 4:17-18 (NLT)

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