

**I. He Restores My Soul**

- A. God brings us back to our proper spiritual condition so that we may follow God accordingly.
- B. God restores the spiritual strength that we lost in the trenches of life as we suffer from encountering various people and circumstances by bringing us back to our proper spiritual condition, so that we may follow God accordingly.
- C. God produces godly sorrow leading to our repentance of sin resulting in bringing us back to our proper spiritual condition, so that we may follow God accordingly.

**II. He Guides Me in the Path of Righteousness for His Name's Sake**

- A. God leads us who are His in the way that is right so that His reputation may be held in high regard as all witness His sheep moving toward being, becoming, going and receiving all that God has promised and provided.
- B. God leads us who are His in the way that is right through the Holy Spirit so that His reputation may be held in high regard as all witness His sheep moving toward being, becoming, going and receiving all that God has promised and provided.
- C. God leads us who are His in the way this is right through His precepts, His wisdom, and people and circumstances so that His reputation may be held in high regard as all witness His sheep moving toward being, becoming, going and receiving all that God has promised and provided.

**Key Point:** So God's Spirit begins His re-creative work within us by touching our spirits. He makes us alive to the knowledge of what is right and what is wrong. He impresses upon us what we ought to do and what we ought not do. We become acutely God-conscious. We are aware of what He wants. We know what His wishes are. We are alerted to His aims and ambitions for us.<sup>1</sup>

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<sup>1</sup> W. Phillip Keller, *The Shepherd Trilogy: A Shepherd Looks at the 23<sup>rd</sup> Psalm / A Shepherd Looks at the Good Shepherd / A Shepherd Looks at the Lamb of God* (London: Marshall Pickering, 1996), 251.

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