

## A Paraphrase of Psalm 23

God is my shepherd  
In God all love's needs are met  
God's way draws me to places of refreshment,  
restores me and makes me whole  
God places me in the right rut  
to live a life of praise and wholeness.  
Even when life brings shadows and pain  
I am held in God's love  
In God's presence is my comfort  
God, your abundance is laid before me  
Even when others attack me  
Your love for me, calls me into being  
I hear you cry 'I am for you'  
My heart, all that I am overflows with riches.  
Only you, your goodness and mercy,  
will pursue and chase after me.  
You, O God, are my way,  
my companion,  
my protector  
And my destination

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