The Lord's My Shepherd

Psalm 23
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1. The Lord's my Shepherd, I'll not want; he makes me dwell,
2. My soul he doth restore again; and me to lead, me the quiet waters by.
3. Yea, though I walk in death's dark vale, yet will I fear no ill, for thou art with me;
4. My table thou hast furnished in presence, with my foes; my head thou dost with oil aoint, and my cup overflows.
5. Goodness and mercy all my life shall surely follow me: and in God's house for evermore my dwelling place shall be.

The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want. He maketh me to lie down in grassy pastures. He leadeth me beside the still waters. He restoreth my soul. He doth make me to walk in paths of righteousness for his name's sake. Yea, though I walk in darkness, I will fear no evil; for thou art with me; thy rod and thy staff they comfort me. Thou preparest a table before me in the presence of mine enemies; thou anointest my head with oil; my cup overfloweth. Sure knowledge of his presence, both in life and in death, leads to a joyful future.