

Sheep in the Father's Hands



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"Trust in Him at all times, you people; pour out your heart before Him; God is a refuge for us" (Psalm 62:8). As God's children, we are to resign ourselves to His care in everything. This is true freedom! Resigning yourself into God's care is an act of faith. It means putting yourself completely under his power, wisdom and mercy. And it means being led according to his will. God promises to be totally responsible for us — to feed, clothe and shelter us, and to guard our hearts from all evil.

Jesus provided the ultimate example of holy resignation when he went to the cross. Just before he gave up his spirit, he cried aloud, "Father, into Your hands I commit My spirit!" (Luke 23:46). Christ literally placed the keeping of his life and eternal future into the custody of his Father. In doing so, he placed the souls of each of his sheep into the Father's hands.

If we are being asked to trust our lives to someone, we have to know that this Someone has the power to keep us from all danger, threats and violence. Paul testifies, "I know whom I have believed and am persuaded that He is able to keep what I have committed to Him until that Day" (2 Timothy 1:12).

Our abiding peace will always depend on our resignation into God's hands, regardless of our circumstance. The Psalmist instructs, "Delight yourself also in the Lord, and He shall give you the desires of your heart" (Psalm 37:4). God's desire is that you go about your daily business without fear or anxiety, trusting in his care. The more resigned you are to God's care, the more indifferent you will be to the conditions around you.

Your great Shepherd knows perfectly how to protect and preserve his flock because he leads in love. Rest in his keeping power and you will not be scared by any frightful news. You will not try to figure out the next step because you have entrusted your life, family and future into his safe and loving hands.

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