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Review From Last Message

- 1. The sheep trust the shepherd's <u>direction</u>-He has been there before!
- 2. The sheep trust the shepherd's presence-He is with you!
- 3. The sheep trust the shepherd's protection-Nothing can harm you!

Study Verse Section: You prepare ערך set in order, arrange a table שלחן an animal skin rolled out specifically for a meal before me in the presence of my enemies שלחן my oppressors you anoint my head with oil ישָׁגָד בַּעָקן רֹאשָׁי Hebrew meal tradition literally "make my head fat with oil" my cup overflows אך cup overflows אך bedrink is abundant surely אך speaks of a certainty goodness; סוב שנוב, prosperity, happiness and mercy אך goodness; סוב שנוב, mercy, loyalty shall follow me קוב הי faithful love, kindness, mercy, loyalty shall follow me כל יום הי bursue or chase all the days of my life cery day of life and I shall dwell ישׁב literally "return to dwell" in the house of the LORD ארך יום "literally "the house of YHWH" forever ארך יום 'the length of days" speaking to an infinite number.

1. AT THE TABLE THERE IS <u>ACCEPTANCE</u> Psalm 23:5 (ESV)-<u>You prepare a table before me</u> in the presence of my enemies;

I John 3:1a. (ESV)-See what kind of love the Father has given to us, that we should be called children of God; and so we are.

2. AT THE TABLE THERE IS <u>REFRESHMENT</u> Psalm 23:5 (ESV)-You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies; <u>you anoint my head with oil</u>; my cup overflows

Psalm 23:5 (MSG)-You serve me a six-course dinner right in front of my enemies. You revive my drooping head; my cup brims with blessing.

Jeremiah 31:25 (NIV84)-"I will refresh the weary and satisfy the faint."

3. AT THE TABLE THERE IS RELATIONSHIP

Psalm 23:5 (ESV)-I You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies; you anoint my head with oil; <u>my cup overflows</u>.

Zephaniah 3:17 (ESV)-The Lord your God is in your midst, a mighty one who will save; <u>he will rejoice over you with gladness</u>; he will quiet you by his love; he will exult over you with loud singing.

Psalm 147:11 (ESV)- but <u>the Lord takes pleasure</u> in those who fear him, in those who hope in his steadfast love.

4. AT THE TABLE THERE IS BLESSING

Psalm 23:5 (ESV)-I You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies; you anoint my head with oil; <u>my cup overflows</u>.

Psalm 23:6 (ESV)- Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life, and I shall dwell in the house of the Lord forever.

Psalm 31:19a (ESV)- Oh, how <u>abundant is your goodness</u>, which you have stored up for those who fear you...

5. AT THE TABLE THERE IS ASSURANCE

Psalm 23:6 (ESV)- Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life, and <u>I shall dwell in the house of the Lord forever</u>.

1 Corinthians 2:9 (ESV)-But, as it is written, "What no eye has seen, nor ear heard, nor the heart of man imagined, <u>what God has prepared</u> for those who love him"

<u>Here is The Point</u>: God offers us an amazing, eternal relationship!