

Psalm 23

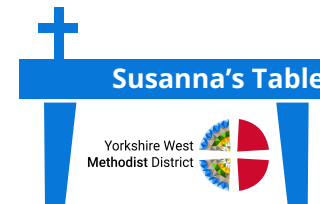
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he leads me beside still waters;
3 he restores my soul.
He leads me in right paths
for his name's sake.
- 4 Even though I walk through the darkest valley,
I fear no evil;
for you are with me;
your rod and your staff—
they comfort me.
- 5 You prepare a table before me
in the presence of my enemies;
you anoint my head with oil;
my cup overflows.
- 6 Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me
all the days of my life,
and I shall dwell in the house of the Lord
my whole life long.



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Psalm 78:1-20

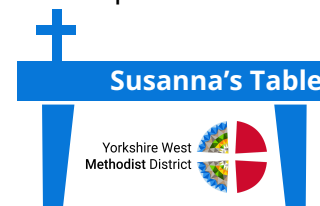
- ¹ Give ear, O my people, to my teaching;
incline your ears to the words of my mouth.
- ² I will open my mouth in a parable;
I will utter dark sayings from of old,
³ things that we have heard and known,
that our ancestors have told us.
- ⁴ We will not hide them from their children;
we will tell to the coming generation
the glorious deeds of the Lord, and his might,
and the wonders that he has done.
- ⁵ He established a decree in Jacob,
and appointed a law in Israel,
which he commanded our ancestors
to teach to their children;
- ⁶ that the next generation might know them,
the children yet unborn,
and rise up and tell them to their children,
⁷ so that they should set their hope in God,
and not forget the works of God,
but keep his commandments;
- ⁸ and that they should not be like their ancestors,
a stubborn and rebellious generation,
a generation whose heart was not steadfast,
whose spirit was not faithful to God.



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Psalm 78:1-20

- ⁹ The Ephraimites, armed with the bow,
turned back on the day of battle.
- ¹⁰ They did not keep God's covenant,
but refused to walk according to his law.
- ¹¹ They forgot what he had done,
and the miracles that he had shown them.
- ¹² In the sight of their ancestors he worked marvels
in the land of Egypt, in the fields of Zoan.
- ¹³ He divided the sea and let them pass through it,
and made the waters stand like a heap.
- ¹⁴ In the daytime he led them with a cloud,
and all night long with a fiery light.
- ¹⁵ He split rocks open in the wilderness,
and gave them drink abundantly as from the deep.
- ¹⁶ He made streams come out of the rock,
and caused waters to flow down like rivers.
- ¹⁷ Yet they sinned still more against him,
rebellious against the Most High in the desert.
- ¹⁸ They tested God in their heart
by demanding the food they craved.
- ¹⁹ They spoke against God, saying,
'Can God spread a table in the wilderness?
- ²⁰ Even though he struck the rock so that water gushed out
and torrents overflowed, can he also give bread,
or provide meat for his people?'



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