



Summer Sermon Series





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Today's Top Hits

Shaboozey is on top of the Hottest 50!

Spotify • 34,659,291 likes • 50 songs, about 2 hr 30 min



List

#	Title	Album	Date	Duration
1	A Bar Song (Tipsy) Shaboozey	A Bar Song (Tipsy)	Apr 2	2:51
2	BIRDS OF A FEATHER Billie Eilish	HIT ME HARD AND SOFT	3 weeks ago	3:30
3	Espresso Sabrina Carpenter	Espresso	Apr 12, 2024	2:55
4	Too Sweet Hozier	Unheard	Mar 25, 2024	4:11
5	MILLION DOLLAR BABY Tommy Richman	MILLION DOLLAR BABY	May 3, 2024	2:35
6	we can't be friends (wait for your love) Ariana Grande	eternal sunshine	Mar 8, 2024	3:48
7	I Had Some Help (Feat. Morgan Wallen) Post Malone, Morgan Wallen	I Had Some Help	May 10, 2024	2:58
8	Beautiful Things Benson Boone	Beautiful Things	Jan 26, 2024	3:00
9	Please Please Please Sabrina Carpenter	Please Please Please	2 weeks ago	3:06



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This Week's Sermon

"You'll Never Walk Alone"

Psalm 23

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The Lord is my shepherd, I lack nothing.

2 He makes me lie down in green pastures,
he leads me beside quiet waters,

3 he refreshes my soul.

He guides me along the right paths
for his name's sake.

Psalm 23

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I will fear no evil,
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5 You prepare a table before me
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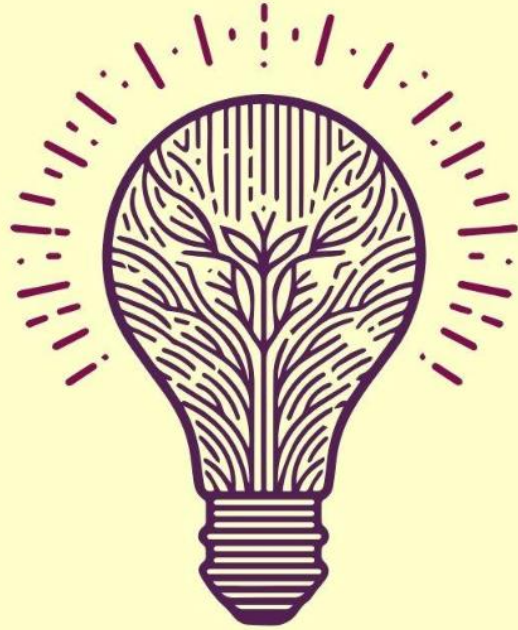
You anoint my head with oil; my cup overflows.

6 Surely your goodness and love will follow me
all the days of my life,

and I will dwell in the house of the Lord
forever.

1. Micro & Macro Context
2. The Antipsalm
3. You'll Never Walk Alone

The Wisdom Literature





Job
Psalms
Proverbs
Ecclesiastes
Song of Solomon

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A sheep is one of the most unwise of creatures. It will go anywhere except in the right direction. It will leave a fat pasture to wander into a barren one. It will find out many ways, but not the right way. It would wander through a wood and find its way through ravines into the wolf's jaws, but never by its wariness turn away from the wolf. It could wander near his den, but it would not instinctively turn aside from the place of danger. It knows how to go astray, but it knows not how to come home again.

~Charles Spurgeon



CREATION



FALL



REDEMPTION



RESTORATION

Creation / Fall - Genesis 3

6 When the woman saw that the fruit of the tree was good for food and pleasing to the eye, and also desirable for gaining wisdom, she took some and ate it. She also gave some to her husband, who was with her, and he ate it. 7 Then the eyes of both of them were opened, and they realized they were naked; so they sewed fig leaves together and made coverings for themselves.

Fall / Redemption - Ezekiel 34

The word of the Lord came to me: 2 “Son of man, prophesy against the shepherds of Israel; prophesy and say to them: ‘This is what the Sovereign Lord says: Woe to you shepherds of Israel who only take care of yourselves! Should not shepherds take care of the flock? 3 You eat the curds, clothe yourselves with the wool and slaughter the choice animals, but you do not take care of the flock. 4 You have not strengthened the weak or healed the sick or bound up the injured.

Fall / Redemption - Ezekiel 34

You have not brought back the strays or searched for the lost. You have ruled them harshly and brutally. 5 So they were scattered because there was no shepherd, and when they were scattered they became food for all the wild animals. 6 My sheep wandered over all the mountains and on every high hill. They were scattered over the whole earth, and no one searched or looked for them.

Fall / Redemption - Ezekiel 34

11 “For this is what the Sovereign Lord says: I myself will search for my sheep and look after them. 12 As a shepherd looks after his scattered flock when he is with them, so will I look after my sheep. I will rescue them from all the places where they were scattered on a day of clouds and darkness. 13 I will bring them out from the nations and gather them from the countries, and I will bring them into their own land. I will pasture them on the mountains of Israel, in the ravines and in all the settlements in the land.

Fall / Redemption - Ezekiel 34

14 I will tend them in a good pasture, and the mountain heights of Israel will be their grazing land. There they will lie down in good grazing land, and there they will feed in a rich pasture on the mountains of Israel. 15 I myself will tend my sheep and have them lie down, declares the Sovereign Lord. 16 I will search for the lost and bring back the strays. I will bind up the injured and strengthen the weak, but the sleek and the strong I will destroy. I will shepherd the flock with justice.

Redemption - John 10

11 “I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep.

Restoration

14 “I am the good shepherd; I know my sheep and my sheep know me — 15 just as the Father knows me and I know the Father — and I lay down my life for the sheep.

16 I have other sheep that are not of this sheep pen. I must bring them also. They too will listen to my voice, and there shall be one flock and one shepherd.

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All that is gold does not glitter;
Not all who wander are lost.

~J.R.R. Tolkien

I know better than God does.



I know better than God does.

God's keeping something from me.



I know better than God does.

God's keeping something from me.

It's up to me.



Anti-Psalm 23



“I’m on my own.

No one looks out for me or protects me. I experience a continual sense of need. Nothing’s quite right. I’m always restless. I’m easily frustrated and often disappointed. It’s a jungle — I feel overwhelmed. It’s a desert — I’m thirsty.

My soul feels broken, twisted, and stuck. I can’t fix myself. I stumble down some dark paths.

Still, I insist: I want to do what I want, when I want, how I want.

But life’s confusing. Why don’t things ever really work out?

I'm haunted by emptiness and futility — shadows of death.

I fear the big hurt and final loss. Death is waiting for me at the end of every road, but I'd rather not think about that.

I spend my life protecting myself. Bad things can happen.

I find no lasting comfort.

I'm alone ... facing everything that could hurt me.

Are my friends really friends? Other people use me for their own ends. I can't *really* trust anyone. No one has my back.

No one is *really* for me — except me.

And I'm so much all about ME, sometimes it's sickening.

I belong to no one except myself.

My cup is never quite full enough. I'm left empty.

Disappointment follows me all the days of my life. Will I just be obliterated into nothingness? Will I be alone forever, homeless, free-falling into void?

Sartre said, "Hell is other people." I have to add, "Hell is also myself."

It's a living death, and then I die."



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“It only becomes your reality when you construct your reality from a lie. In reality, someone else is the center of the story. Nobody can make Jesus go away. The I AM was, is and will be, whether or not people acknowledge that.

When you awaken, when you see who Jesus actually is, everything changes. You see the Person whose care and ability you can trust. You experience His care. You see the Person whose glory you are meant to worship. You love Him who loves you. The real Psalm 23 captures what life feels like and looks like when Jesus Christ puts his hand on your shoulder.”

David Powlison, <https://www.thegospelcoalition.org/blogs/justin-taylor/antipsalm-23-vs-psalm-23/>



YOU'LL NEVER WALK ALONE



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The old that is strong does not wither.
Deep roots are not reached by the frost.

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“Jesus Christ actually plays two roles in this most tender psalm. First, He walked this Himself. He is a man who looked to the Lord. He said these very words, and means what He says. He entered our predicament. He walked the valley of the shadow of death. He faced every evil. He felt the threat of the antipsalm, of our soul’s need to be restored. He looked to his Father’s care when He was cast down — for us — into the darkest shadow of death. And God’s goodness and mercy followed Him and carried Him. Life won.”

~David Powlison

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Gospel Response

You don't have to walk alone

Trust the Good Shepherd