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## Life Group Study Questions

### For the week of February 26, 2023

#### QUICK REVIEW

Looking back at your notes from this week's teaching, was there anything you heard for the first time or something that caught your attention, challenged, or confused you?

#### MY STORY

1. This weekend we heard about a water that satisfies. What's the most satisfying meal you've ever had? What made it satisfying—location, food, who you were with?

2. The woman at the well was in need of water, but instead of giving her what she came for, Jesus gave her the only thing that truly satisfies. Have you ever had a need met in a way that was unexpected or different than what you asked for?

#### DIGGING DEEPER

1. This weekend, we heard about the living water Jesus offers to the Samaritan woman at the well and everyone who believes in Him, and about how this living water satisfies. Another prime example of the satisfaction believers experience and the kindness God extends to His children is the image of Jesus as "The Good Shepherd." This week, we are going to explore two passages that paint this picture. Read John 10:7-16 and Psalm 23 and write down what you notice about the kindness of our Shepherd and the freedom His sheep experience.

##### **John 10:7-16 New International Version (NIV)**

<sup>7</sup> Therefore Jesus said again, "Very truly I tell you, I am the gate for the sheep. <sup>8</sup> All who have come before me are thieves and robbers, but the sheep have not listened to them. <sup>9</sup> I am the gate; whoever enters through me will be saved. They will come in and go out, and find pasture. <sup>10</sup> The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy; I have come that they may have life, and have it to the full. <sup>11</sup> "I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep. <sup>12</sup> The hired hand is not the shepherd and does not own the sheep. So when he sees the wolf coming, he abandons the sheep and runs away. Then the wolf attacks the flock and scatters it. <sup>13</sup> The man runs away because he is a hired hand and cares nothing for the sheep. <sup>14</sup> "I am the good shepherd; I know my sheep and my sheep know me— <sup>15</sup> just as the Father knows me and I know the Father—and I lay down my life for the sheep. <sup>16</sup> 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.

##### **Psalm 23 New International Version (NIV)**

<sup>1</sup> The LORD is my shepherd, I lack nothing. <sup>2</sup> He makes me lie down in green pastures, he leads me beside quiet waters, <sup>3</sup> he refreshes my soul. He guides me along the right paths for his name's sake. <sup>4</sup> Even though I walk through the darkest valley, I will fear no evil, for you are with me; your rod and your staff, they comfort me. <sup>5</sup> You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies. You anoint my head with oil; my cup overflows. <sup>6</sup> 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.

As you think about the Shepherd and the sheep in these passages, is there anything that stands out to you when it comes to your relationship with God? Is there anything that's hard for you to understand or see in how you relate to Him?

Can you think of a time, place or area of your life where you have seen or experienced the freedom of relying on Jesus or trusting Him to quench your thirst? What did that freedom look like? What was the difference between trying to quench your own thirst and relying on Jesus?

What are some things that keep us from claiming the freedom or satisfaction Jesus wants us to have in Him? For example, are there things we resist or avoid doing? Are there lies we believe? Are there patterns we have a hard time breaking?

TJ reminded us this weekend that Jesus alone satisfies. Even so, we all have areas of our lives where it is a challenge to feel this way. What are some of the areas or situations in your life where you struggle to feel satisfied by Jesus? Is there a good reminder to hold on to when you run into those times? How might we find satisfaction in Jesus when it's harder to find?

## TAKING IT HOME

What is one thing from this week's discussion or sermon that is important for you to remember?

## PRAYER REQUESTS

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### North Coast Women's Conference

Friday, March 3 - Saturday, March 4

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