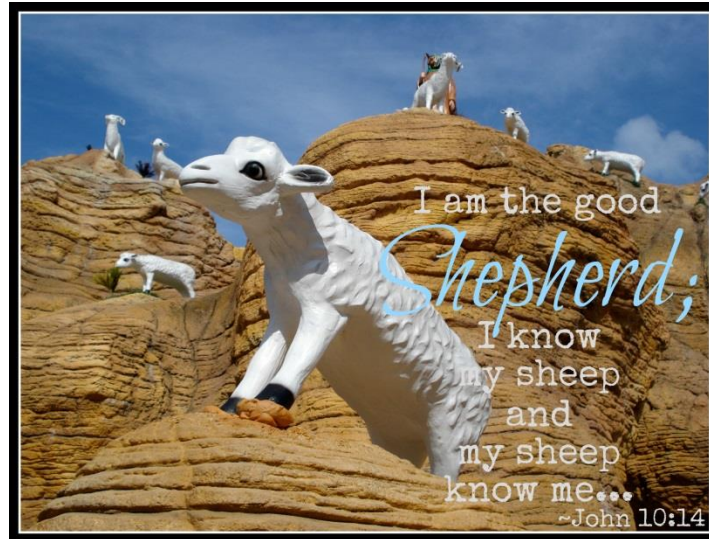


Daily in Your Presence
Day 8
Good Shepherd

"I am the good shepherd; I know my sheep and my sheep know me."
John 10:14



From the Father's Heart

My child, you may think you know where the pastures are greener. At times you may even try to sneak under the fence or walk another path. But as your good shepherd, I know your name. And I will never stop looking for you and calling you back. You may not understand My reason for boundaries, but the gate is there to protect you. I will feed you with nourishing food--not just for your body, but for your soul. I will give you rest, refreshment, and joy for your journey. Stay close, because I am all you need.

A Grateful Response

Wherever I go--up steep mountain paths, through the deep valleys and green pastures, or around still waters--You walk beside me, refreshing my spirit and restoring my soul. If I stray, You pursue me until I can rest safely in Your arms again. What a wonderful shepherd You are!

Simple Truth

You can't hear the shepherd's voice if you're always following the wrong sheep.