

THE IMAGERY OF SHEPHERD AND SHEEP

1. The LORD as Shepherd- Divine Imagery

The LORD is my Shepherd *Psalm 23:1*

2. His people as sheep

We are His people and the sheep of His pasture *Psalm 100:3*

3. David as shepherd- Human Imagery *Psalm 78:70-72*

a) Original occupation- a shepherd

i) Following the ewes that had young

ii) Took him from the sheepfolds

b) God chose David His servant *Psalm 78:70*

c) To shepherd Jacob His people
And Israel His inheritance *Psalm 78:71*

d) David's shepherding work

i) He shepherded according to the integrity of his heart *Psalm 78:72a*

ii) Guided them by the skillfulness of his hands *Psalm 78:72b*

4. Memorising God's Word

a) With understanding

b) With appreciation

c) With application in mind

i) Relating to God

ii) Consciousness of God

iii) A growing relationship

iv) Ramifications

5. Meditation

- a) Thinking
- b) Understanding
- c) Enlightenment
- d) Dwelling
- e) Responding
- f) Praying
- g) Application in Life