

## Our Shepherd through the Wilderness

*Deuteronomy 8; Psalm 78:12-16, 52-55*

Father, how do You reveal Your will to Your people?  
How do you guide us?

I look at the way You led Your people  
out of Egypt  
into the Promised Land.

You led them as a shepherd leads his sheep.  
Sheep need a leader, and  
so do we!

Like a shepherd, You provided  
guidance,  
food,  
water,  
healing,  
rest,  
protection, and  
provision for countless other needs.

I especially notice *how* You guided them.  
Your leadership came in a variety of ways.

You guided through events.  
You interwove  
circumstances,  
times,  
places, and  
people  
to work Your will.

You guided through people,  
through human beings like us.  
Moses was the means for  
You to speak to them and  
they to speak to You.

You guided them through Your Word.  
You spoke it to them so that they could  
hear,  
remember,  
ponder, and

obey.

You guided by revealing Yourself in special ways,  
always at Your initiation,  
by Your chosen method  
at Your chosen time.

You appeared to Moses at the burning bush.  
You gave the pillar of cloud by day and the pillar of fire by night.  
You divided the Red Sea.  
You thundered gloriously at Sinai.  
You miraculously gave them food and water.

Father, You have not changed.  
Your great, loving heart is still the same.  
You are still blessing us with Your will,  
guiding events,  
speaking through people,  
giving us Your Word, and  
showing Yourself to us  
powerfully and  
personally.

Yahweh,  
Eternal God,  
our Father,  
You Yourself are our Shepherd through this vast wilderness.  
As You lead,  
we simply follow like sheep, and  
we lack nothing.

**Hymn: [The Father's Gifts](#)**

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