## Jehovah Rohi - The Lord My Shepherd!

- > The Lord as my Shepherd-King!
  - "Know that the LORD is God. It is he who made us, and we are his; we are his people, the sheep of his pasture. Enter his gates with thanksgiving and his courts with praise; give thanks to him and praise his name." (Psalm 100:3-4)
  - "I am the gate; whoever enters through me will be saved. They will come in and go out, and find pasture" (John 10:9)

## ➤ The Shepherd and sheep relationship!

➤ "The one who enters by the gate is the shepherd of the sheep. <sup>3</sup> The gatekeeper opens the gate for him, and the sheep listen to his voice. He calls his own sheep by name and leads them out. <sup>4</sup> When he has brought out all his own, he goes on ahead of them, and his sheep follow him because they know his voice." (John 10:2-4)

- I) The Shepherd of my soul! who leads me and deeply satisfy me.
  - "The LORD is my shepherd, I lack nothing. He makes me lie down in green pastures, he leads me beside quiet waters, he refreshes my soul." (Psalm 23:1-2)
  - > Ref: (Psalm 73:25; John 10:10; Matthew 11:28-29; Proverbs 24:34)
- II) The Shepherd of my life! who leads me to His life purpose and direction.
  - "He guides me along the right paths for his name's sake." (Psalm 23:3) Ref:(Jeremiah 29:11-13; Romans 12:1-2)
  - > Jehovah-tsidkenu The Lord Our Righteousness (Jeremiah 23:6)
  - ➤ "To him the doorkeeper opens, and the sheep hear his voice, and he calls his own sheep by name and leads them out. <sup>4</sup> When he puts forth all his own, he goes ahead of them, and the sheep follow him because they know his voice." (John 10:3-4) Ref: (Isa. 53:6)

- **III) My Shepherd who protects me!** Who is always with me, guards me, and protects me.
  - Figure 2:40 "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." (Psalm 23:4)
  - > (Ex) Paul and Silas praying and singing hymns! (Acts 16:22-26) Peter and the Apostles (Acts 5:40-43)
- IV) My Shepherd who exalts me! With a victory feast and celebration.
  - "You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies. You anoint my head with oil; my cup overflows. (Psalm 23:5-6)
  - ➤ The ultimate victory feast! The marriage of the Lamb with His Church in heaven.

- V) My Shepherd will be faithful! to His covenant love relationship with me!
  - "Surely your goodness and love will follow me all the days of my life, and I will dwell in the house of the LORD" (Psalm 23:5-6)
  - For the LORD is good; **His lovingkindness** is "everlasting and His faithfulness to all generations." (Psalm 100:5)
  - "I will sing of the lovingkindness of the LORD forever; To all generations I will make known Your faithfulness with my mouth.<sup>2</sup> For I have said, 'Lovingkindness will be built up forever; In the heavens You will establish Your faithfulness.'

    3 'I have made a covenant with My chosen; I have sworn to David My servant, <sup>4</sup> I will establish your seed forever and build up your throne to all generations.'" (Psalm 89:1-4)

- VI) Our Lord and Christ is the Good Shepherd, the Anointed one!
- "You anoint my head with oil; my cup overflows." (Psalm 23:6)
- "I am the good shepherd, and I know My own and My own know Me, even as the Father knows Me and I know the Father; and I lay down My life for the sheep." (John 10:14-15)
- For you were continually straying like sheep, but now you have returned to the Shepherd and Guardian of your souls. (1 Peter 2:25)

## VII) Application:

- 1) How has Jesus been a good Shepherd to you?
- 2) How have I been a stubborn sheep in following Him?
- 3) Do you hear His voice? What is Jesus saying to you?