



GOD'S MEDICINE FOR DIFFICULT DAYS - PSALM 23:4

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"Even though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death,
I will fear no evil, for you are with me; your rod and your staff, they comfort me." Psalm 23:4 (NASB)

"And the name of the city from that time on will be: THE LORD IS THERE." Ezekiel 48:35 (NIV)
JEHOVAH SHAMMAH – The LORD is Here!

I. WHAT TO REMEMBER IN DIFFICULT DAYS

1. VALLEYS ARE UNAVOIDABLE

"In this world you will have trouble." John 16:33 (NIV)

"A person who is born of a woman is short-lived and is full of trouble" Job 14:1 (GW)

2. VALLEYS ARE UNPREDICTABLE

"Disaster follows disaster... In an instant my tents are destroyed, my shelter in a moment." Jeremiah 4:20 (NIV)

3. VALLEYS ARE TEMPORARY

"So be truly glad. There is wonderful joy ahead, even though you have to endure many trials for a little while." 1 Peter 1:6 (NLT)

"These troubles and sufferings of ours are, after all, quite small and won't last very long. Yet this short time of distress will result in God's richest blessing upon us forever and ever!" 2 Corinthians 4:17 (LB)

"In his kindness God called you to share in his eternal glory by means of Christ Jesus. So after you have suffered a little while, he will restore, support, and strengthen you, and he will place you on a firm foundation." 1 Peter 5:10 (NLT)

4. VALLEYS ARE PURPOSEFUL

"... even though you are temporarily harassed by all kinds of trials and temptations. This is no accident - it happens to prove your faith ..." 1 Peter 1:6b-7 (Ph)

II. WHAT TO DO IN DIFFICULT DAYS

"I will fear no evil, for you are with me; your rod and your staff, they comfort me." Psalm 23:4b

1. REFUSE TO BE DISCOURAGED

"I WILL FEAR NO EVIL"

"God will strengthen you with his own great power so that you will not give up when troubles come, but you will be patient." Colossians 1:11 (NCV)

2. REMEMBER THAT GOD IS WITH ME

"FOR YOU ARE WITH ME"

"When you go through deep waters, I will be with you. When you go through rivers of difficulty, you will not drown. When you walk through the fire of oppression, you will not be burned up; the flames will not consume you." Isaiah 43:2 (NLT)

3. I RELY ON GOD'S PROTECTION AND GUIDANCE

"YOUR ROD AND STAFF COMFORT ME"

"We know how much God loves us, and we have put our trust in his love. Such love has no fear, because perfect love expels all fear." 1 John 4:16, 18 (NLT)

"The righteous person faces many troubles, but the Lord comes to the rescue each time." Psalm 34:19 (NLT)

