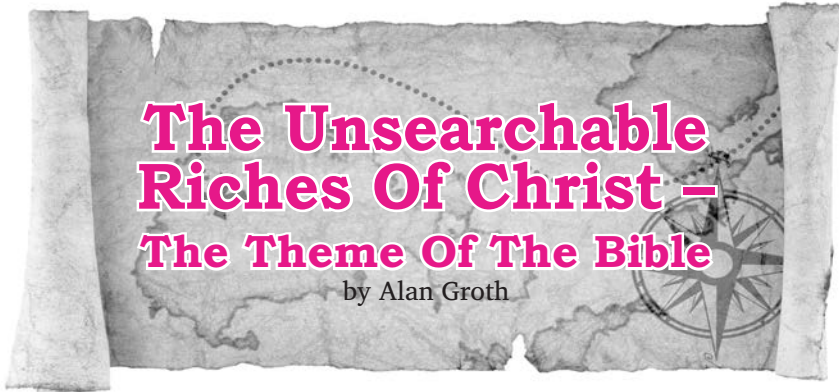




The purpose of this column is to help you study the Bible on your own. Look up the Bible references and think about them before writing your answers. Do not send this study to us, as this is not a correspondence course.



Christ The Shepherd

Psalm 100:3 says, “Know that the LORD, He is God; it is He who has made us, and not we ourselves; we are His people and the sheep of His pasture.” In Isaiah 53:6 we read: “All we like sheep have gone astray; we have turned, every one, to his own way; and the LORD has laid on Him the iniquity of us all.” The Shepherd of the sheep is our Lord Jesus Christ, the One who bore their iniquity.

Let’s look at some Bible passages where we see the riches of Christ as the Shepherd.

Read John 10:1-30

1. What kind of shepherd did Jesus call Himself? _____
2. Name some characteristics of this Shepherd. _____
3. Name some characteristics of His sheep. _____
4. Who else protects the sheep? _____

Read Hebrews 13:20-21

1. What did God do for the Lord Jesus? _____
2. What kind of Shepherd is He called in these verses? _____

Read 1 Peter 5:1-4

1. To whom is Peter writing? _____
2. What were these men to do? _____
3. What will they receive for their service? _____
4. When will they receive this reward? _____

Read Ezekiel 34:11-12; Luke 15:4-7

1. What will the Lord God do? _____
2. What did the man do who found his lost sheep? _____

Read Psalm 23

1. Who wrote this psalm? _____
2. Who is the psalmist’s shepherd? _____
3. Did David trust the LORD? _____
4. What does the Shepherd do for His sheep in:
 - v.2 _____
 - v.3 _____
 - v.4 _____
 - v.5 _____
5. What are the results of the Shepherd’s care (v.6)? _____

Read 1 Peter 2:21-25

1. What did Christ leave for us? _____
2. Describe briefly what He did or did not do. _____
3. What is Christ for us (v.25)? _____

In our next month’s *Discover Column* look for more riches of Christ.