Scripture Litany- Psalm 23, 63

Intro words:

> This litany weaves together Psalms 23 and 63. These beautiful words remind us that God's desire for our rest is grounded in his goodness and love for us. God does not give us rest to increase our productivity. God gives us this gift that we might delight in him, worship him, and trust him.

Leader: The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want.
People: O God, you are my God; earnestly I seek you.

Leader: He makes me lie down in green pastures. He leads me beside still waters.
People: O God, you are my God; earnestly I seek you; my soul thirsts for you.

Leader: He restores my soul. He leads me in paths of righteousness for his name's sake.
People: O God, you are my God; earnestly I seek you; my soul thirsts for you; my flesh faints for you, as in a dry and weary land where there is no water.

Leader: Even though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil,
for you are with me.
People: I have looked upon you in the sanctuary, beholding your power and glory.

Leader: Your rod and your staff, they comfort me.
People: Because your steadfast love is better than life, my lips will praise you.

Leader: You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies.
People: My soul will be satisfied as with fat and rich food, and my mouth will praise you with joyful lips.

Leader: You anoint my head with oil; my cup overflows.
People: My mouth will praise you with joyful lips, when I remember you upon my bed, and meditate on you in the watches of the night.

Leader: Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life.
People: For you have been my help, and in the shadow of your wings I will sing for joy.

Leader: I shall dwell in the house of the Lord forever.
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People: O God you are my God.

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