Psalm 23

(Sung to the tune of “Wagoner’s Lad”)

interpreted from the Hebrew
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Adonai is my shepherd, I’ll suffer no lack,
In pleasant green meadows I lie my head back.

Yah leads me by streams of water so cool,
Those clear living waters restore my soul.

You teach me to walk in the path of the just
For that is Your nature—and in Your guidance I’ll trust;

Though dark deathly shadows ‘round me should abide—
I’ll fear no evil with You at my side.

Your shepherd’s rod it gives my soul ease,
Your staff it directs me to a place of peace;

You spread me a table—all before my foes;
My head is anointed, my cup overflows.

O surely Your goodness and kindness, too
Shall be my companions til this mortal life is through

Then I shall abide in the arms of my Lord,
Yes, dwell there forever and evermore.