

But who is the shepherd's Shepherd ! Who takes care of him ! Who guides him in the path he should go ! and if he wanders, who shall bring him back !

God is the shepherd's Shepherd ! He is the Shepherd over all ! He takes care of all ! The whole earth is his fold : we are all his flock : and the herbs, and green fields, are the pasture which he provides for us.

The mother loves her little child ; she brings it up on her knees : she strengthens its body with food ; she feeds its mind with knowledge ; if it is sick, she nurses it with tender love : she watches over it when asleep : she forgets it not for a moment ; she teaches it how to be good : she is happy in his daily growth.

But who is the Parent of the mother ! Who feeds her with good things, and watches over her with tender love, and thinks of her always ! Whose arms are about her, to guard from harm ! and if she is sick, who shall heal her !

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