

Hill Cliffe Study Guide Sunday 23 April 2023 Week 2 – Satisfied with God

1. What struck you most from Sunday's Sermon?

## Please read John 10.2-4, 10-12

Here Jesus describes the kind of relationship that he (the good shepherd) wants to have with his disciples (the sheep of his flock).

- 2. What are the features of this relationship?
- 3. As Jesus disciples, how might we enjoy this kind of relationship with God more?
- 4. Would you say that you are satisfied with your relationship with God?

In the bible, the idea of satisfaction with our relationship with God has two great themes.

- a. Contentment that all the requirements to enable us to have a right relationship with God are fully satisfied based on the Father's Will, the Son's Work, and the Spirit's Washing. It is a gift of God's grace, received by faith – enabling you to be a Child of God, for now and forever.
- b. Contentment in trusting God and listening to God and following God as we walk with him every day through the highs and lows of life in an adventure of faith.
- 5. In which of these two themes of contentment do you currently feel most satisfied with your relationship with God?

## Please read Isaiah 55.1-2

- 6. How does verse 2 speak to you personally as you look back over your life?
- 7. How can you buy this bread without money?

## Please read Philippians 4.12-13, and 2 Corinthians 6.4-10

The apostle Paul is always very open and honest about the real experience of following Jesus by faith. He describes how he has learned the secret of contentment in any and every situation.

- 8. What is the secret?
- 9. What can we learn from the example of Paul, so that we too can become more satisfied and content in our everyday dynamic relationship with God?