

The Lord is My Shepherd – The healing wisdom of the  
twenty third psalm by Harold S Kushner.  
Hodder and Stoughton 2003.

Harold Kushner's latest book is a charming line by line, and in some cases word by word, analysis of the 23<sup>rd</sup> Psalm, written in response to the trauma of September 11<sup>th</sup> 2001. Since his first book, *When Children Ask About God*, still in my view the best, Kushner has produced seven more, of which the most famous will probably always be *When bad things happen to good people*.

The style of this book is similar to its predecessors: Kushner uses the words of his chosen text to comment on a wide range of life situations, informed by his own broad experience as a congregational rabbi and his innate compassion and warmth.

This is a book that will appeal to Jews and Christians alike, and which many will undoubtedly find as a worthy adjunct to the psalm on which it is based.

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