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COMING UP EVENTS

3rd August	Vegetarian Cooking Demonstration series Wk 1
10th August	Vegetarian Cooking Demonstration series Wk 2
17th August	Vegetarian Cooking Demonstration series Wk 3

LAST SABBATH

Epping Church Service - 20th July, 2024



Comfort and correction

The Bible compares us to many things: salt, light, clay, athletes... and sheep. I really wish God had compared us to some other animal, a smarter animal. Other than their wool, sheep are known for being, well... dumb. They get lost easily. They get scared easily. And they have no idea what is in their best interest.

In these last days of earth's history, being a sheep could be quite a handicap. On our own we are sure to end up as the devil's Sunday roast. However, we have a Shepherd and that makes all the difference. God is aware that in the last days there will be extra traps and temptations to lead us astray, and so He has made provision. "God has, in His word, promised to give visions in the 'Last Days'; not for a new rule of faith, but for the comfort of His people, and to correct those who err from Bible truth" EW 78.

I don't know about you, but I would be thrilled to receive God's comfort. I'd even be happy to receive His correction if I've wandered off the path of truth. How wonderful to have a Shepherd that cares enough that when we have strayed from the path to heaven, will nudge us back on track. My desire is to serve God for eternity, and I'd hate for my own foolishness to jeopardise that.

My prayer is that when those visions come, we will be discerning of the truth, and gratefully accept God's comfort and correction. And in between such times, may we be there to comfort and encourage one another.

"For the moment all discipline seems painful rather than pleasant, but later it yields the peaceful fruit of righteousness to those who have been trained by it." Hebrews 12:11.