to their homes in New York. They had made their plans for the next month but their plans were destroyed for as the train passed near Princeton the next morning, another train ran into the rear of it and killed them. We cannot tell when our lives may come to a sudden end. We need someone who is able to guide us and protect us in the many journeys of life.

And what about the time after death - not one of us is capable of directing themselves through that unseen country. Our human reason cannot tell what lies beyond the grave. It is like one entering a dark forest in the night. We need a shepherd who knows what lies ahead and is able to guide us through what we cannot forsee and protect us from the dangers that may lie around us. In view of the uncertainty of life and our lack of any guarantee of continued prosperity and health and the uncertainty as to when our life may suddenly terminate and our absolute ignorance of what it is like beyond the grave - everyone of us needs a shepherd.

Where can such a shepherd be found? We search in vain through the pages of philosophy, ancient and modern, and through the lectures of the great minds of the earth - for none of them gives us any hope of finding such a shepherd. The one place where we can find the answer to our question is in the inspired Word of God and the answer that we find there seems so incomparable that if it were not God's Word, we could not believe it. "The Lord is my Shepherd" - think of it, the Lord, the Creator of heaven and earth and He who made the moon and stars, who holds the winds in the hollow of His hand - is it possible that he could be the shepherd of one of us? Yet that is precisely what the Bible says - "The Lord is my shepherd". If we