



my **SHEPHERD**
my **PROTECTOR**



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- used as *a symbol of ownership*



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What does this say?

“Thy staff” = long pole

- used as a walking stick*
- used for bringing sheep back*



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from Latin *“com”* + *“fortis”*
“with” *“strong”*



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What does this say?

*“Your cudgel-club
and Your pole-staff,
they strengthen me.”*



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*“Your sturdy club and Your correcting staff,
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What does this reveal?

- My SHEPHERD's club strengthens me because with it He protects me from threats around me.



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- My SHEPHERD's staff strengthens me because with it He protects me from threats within me.

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 - Our LORD SHEPHERD disciplines us.



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What does this reveal?

■ Our LORD SHEPHERD *disciplines* us.

□ Purpose of *discipline* *direction*

□ Tools of *discipline*

❖ *Circumstances*

❖ *Holy Spirit*

❖ *Fellow followers*

❖ *Scripture*



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“Thy rod and Thy staff, they comfort me.”

What does this require?

LORD YHWH, my SHEPHERD,
You are my PROTECTOR,
for Your sturdy club
and Your correcting staff,
they strengthen me.”



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*“Your sturdy club and Your correcting staff,
they strengthen me.”*

What does this require?

- *Stay* with Him.



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*“Your sturdy club and Your correcting staff,
they strengthen me.”*

What does this require?

- *Stay* with Him.
- *Submit* to Him.



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Trust the SHEPHERD.



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