God's Loving Pursuit



PSALM 23:6

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Introduction: *Debbie Hill's loving pursuit of her brother Eric never ceased...*

I. GOD'S LOVING PURSUIT OF US NEVER CEASES

- A. We need to be pursued, since we have strayed away (Isaiah 53; Romans 3; Proverbs 14)
- B. God pursues us with His *goodness & mercy* (Psalm 23:6)
 - 1. Surely goodness & mercy (James 1:17; 2 Timothy 2:13)
 - 2. Surely goodness & mercy ("God's two sheepdogs")
 - 3. Shall follow me all the days of my life (not some, but all)
 - 4. Shall <u>follow me</u> all the days of my life
 - a) God followed Adam (Genesis 3)
 - b) God followed Moses (Exodus 3)
 - c) God followed Jonah (Jonah 2)
 - d) God followed the Samaritan woman (John 4)
 - e) God followed Lazarus (John 11)
 - f) God followed Peter (John 21)

II. GOD IS THE GOD WHO FOLLOWS & PURSUES

- A. He is following you & He will not let go of you
- B. Just look how far He came for you! (Philippians 2:5-11)
- C. When you measure your value, measure it through God's eyes, not yours.

Conclusion: The end of Eric Hill's life reminds us of this about God: "Surely His goodness & mercy will follow you all the days of your life"