



DIGGING DEEPER

John 10v1-10 – Following the Shepherd

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GETTING STARTED

Why do you think the bible likens us to sheep? What is God seeking to convey?

If helpful check out the verses below...

- Psalm 78v52
- Isaiah 53v6
- Matthew 9v36

1) JESUS IS THE TRUE SHEPHERD OF THE SHEEP (v1-2)

Look at the picture Jesus paints in v1-2. What do we learn about true shepherds and bogus shepherds?

Check out Jeremiah 23v1-4 and Ezekiel 34v1-4 as well as the context in v1. Who then are the thieves and robbers?

How do OT texts such as these point us forward to Jesus?

How does Jesus' warning in v1-2 apply to us today?

2) JESUS IS GATHERING A FLOCK TO HIMSELF (v3-5)

How does Jesus gather his flock to himself? How does that impact the way you live and witness today?

Why do sheep listen ONLY to the voice of their shepherd yet run away from a stranger? What are the implications of that principle for you today?

3) JESUS GATHERS IN ORDER TO GIVE LIFE (v6-10)

Why and how does Jesus change the metaphor in the last few verses?

What does this change in metaphor add to our understanding of who Jesus is?

Talk about the different aspects of the promise in v9-10. What makes you smile most??

Meditate on the words of David below...

Psalm 16v11: You make known to me the path of life; you fill me with joy in your presence, with eternal pleasures at your right hand.