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I Am the Good Shepherd

John 10:1-18

I. The Good Shepherd Dies for His Sheep (v. 11)

A. His death is _____ (v. 11a) [Mk. 12:40; Lk. 11:39; 16:14; Ezek. 34:22-24; Phil. 2:6-8]

B. His death is _____ (v. 11b) [Matt. 1:21; 20:28; Titus 2:14; Jn. 17:9]

II. The Good Shepherd Does Not Leave the Sheep (vv. 12-13)

A. A hired hand _____ the sheep (v. 12)
[Zech. 11:17; Jer. 23:1-3]

B. A hired hand does not _____ for the sheep (v. 13)
[Ezek. 34:1-10; Acts 20:28]

III. The Good Shepherd Knows His Sheep (vv. 14-15)

A. The intimacy between the _____ and the sheep
(v. 14) [Jn. 2:10; Eph. 1:4; Nah. 1:7; 2 Tim. 2:19; Jn. 10:27; Psa. 23]

B. The intimacy between the _____ and the Son
(v. 15) [Jn. 17:24; 3:35; 5:19; 6:38; 10:30; 15:9-10]

IV. The Good Shepherd Has Other Sheep Not of this Fold (v. 16)

A. _____ others into the fold (v. 16a)
[Jn. 11:52; Acts 18:9-10; Psa. 67:3-4]

B. Being _____ as one flock (v. 16b)
[Eph. 4:4-6; Jn. 13:35]

V. The Good Shepherd Lays Down His Life and Takes it Up Again (vv. 17-18)

A. Jesus has the _____ to lay His life down (v. 17)
[Jn. 7:30; 8:20; 10:39; 18:6; Lk. 4:29-30; Matt. 26:53; Jn 19:11; Lk. 23:46]

B. Jesus has the _____ to take it up again (v. 18)
[Rom. 6:4; Jn. 2:19; Rom. 8:11]

TAKE HOME

- Do you _____ the Good Shepherd?
- Have you _____ His voice?
- Are you a part of His _____?

STUDY QUESTIONS

James 1:22 says, *“But be doers of the word, and not hearers only, deceiving yourselves.”* These questions are designed to help you apply today’s message to your life. We encourage you to thoughtfully answer these questions and discuss your answers with others. For more information about joining a Small Group that uses these questions as the basis for discussion, prayer, and accountability, please call the church office at (661) 259-2913.

1. Read John 10:11. How can Jesus be the door and the be the Good Shepherd? How do we know that His death is sacrificial? How do we know His death was selective? (Matt. 1:21; 20:28; Titus 2:14; Jn. 17:9)

2. Read John 10:12-13. What is a hired hand? Who is the hired hand in this passage? Read Ezekiel 34:1-10. What can we learn from this passage about false shepherds in contrast with the true shepherd?

3. Read John 10:14-15. What do you think about the intimacy between the Shepherd and His sheep? Do you have this kind of relationship?

4. Read Psalm 23. Discuss how this chapter helps you better understand how Jesus is the Good Shepherd.

5. Read John 10:16. Who are the other sheep that Jesus is bringing into the fold? (Jn. 11:52; Acts 18:9-10; Psa. 67:3-4) How can we both help bring other sheep into the fold and be a unified flock? (Eph. 4:4-6; Jn. 13:35)

6. Read John 10:17-18. Did some one take Jesus’ life or did He offer it up freely? (Jn. 7:30; 8:20; 10:39; 18:6; Lk. 4:29-30; Matt. 26:53; Jn 19:11; Lk. 23:46). Who raised Jesus from the dead? (Rom. 6:4; Jn. 2:19; Rom. 8:11)

7. Read the take home questions. Take some time to really consider all that we have studied in the passage and make any other applications that will help you follow the Good Shepherd.

“The shepherd does not die for his sheep to serve as an example, throwing himself off a cliff in a grotesque and futile display while bellowing, ‘See how much I love you!’ No, the assumption is that the sheep are in mortal danger; that in their defense the shepherd loses his life; that by his death they are saved. That, and that alone, is what makes him the good shepherd.”

- D.A. Carson, *The Gospel According to John*