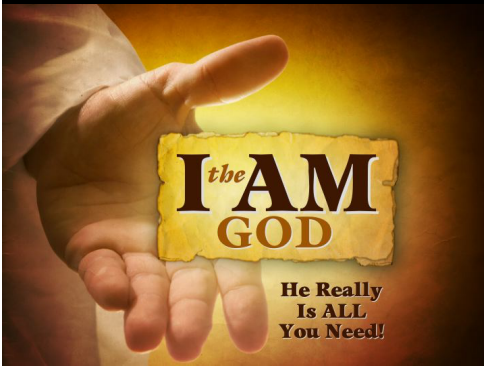




Locked Out?

Let Me Open for You

Lesson 10 • John 10

What's in a Name?

Everything We Will Ever Need When It's the Name of the "I Am" God!

Can Jesus Be both the Good Shepherd and the Door of the Sheep?

Yes! Jesus is both the good shepherd who calls the sheep and the door by which the sheep enter the sheepfold!

There Is a PERSONAL Connection between the Good Shepherd and the Door of the Sheep!

Good Shepherds Make for Good Doors! (vv. 1-10)

The **WORD PICTURE** of the sheepfold in (vv. 1-5) is set in the **city** where there was a **communal** sheepfold with an actual door/gate and gatekeeper.

The **WORD PICTURE** of the sheepfold in (vv. 7-10) is set in the **countryside** where there were only **makeshift** sheepfolds with no actual door/gate or gatekeeper.



There Is a VITAL Connection between the Good Shepherd and the Door of the Sheep!

The Good Shepherd Is the Door into God's Abundant Life! (vv. 7-18)

Six Ways Jesus Is the Door for the Sheep

1. The Good Shepherd is the Door of **SALVATION** for anyone who enters by Him. (vv. 7, 9)

So Jesus again said to them, "Truly, truly, I say to you, I am the door of the sheep. (v. 7)

"I am the door. If anyone enters by Me, he will be saved..." (v. 9)

2. The Good Shepherd is the Door of **SECURITY** for all who enter by Him. (vv. 10, 12, 28-30)

➡ True sheep are eternally secure and will not be **TRICKED** into following false shepherds.

Four Kinds of False Shepherds

- 1) **Thieves** who **use** the sheep for their **own greed**. (vv. 1, 8, 10)
- 2) **Robbers** who **abuse** the sheep for their **own gain**. (vv. 1, 8)
- 3) **Strangers** who **do not know** the sheep, but try to **call them away** to themselves. (v. 5)
- 4) **Hired Hands** who **do not own** the sheep, but **run away** at the slightest hint of danger. (vv. 12-13)

Four Characteristics of False Shepherds

- 1) They will not **SACRIFICE** for the sheep like the **Good** Shepherd. (vv. 10-13)
- 2) They try to **REPLACE** the **Chief** Shepherd and His under shepherds. (vv. 12, 14)
- 3) They seek to make themselves **GREATER** than the **Great** Shepherd. (v. 8)
- 4) They never ultimately **FOOL** the true sheep who follow the **One** Shepherd. (vv. 5, 8, 14, 26-27)

➡ True sheep **TREASURE** their security by staying close to the Shepherd and not scattering!

3. The Good Shepherd is the Door of **SAFETY (LIBERTY & LORDSHIP)** for all who enter by Him. (vv. 9, 28-30)

*Jesus is our **Door of Safety**, which means we are free to come and go **not as we please** but **as the He leads!***

What is keeping you back from surrendering to the Lordship of Christ and following His leadership for your life?

4. The Good Shepherd is the Door of **SATISFACTION** for all who enter by Him. (vv. 9-10)

5. The Good Shepherd is the Door of **SACRIFICE** for all who enter by Him. (vv. 11-18)

- ➡ His death was a **VOLUNTARY** sacrifice.
- ➡ His death was a **SUBSTITUTIONARY** sacrifice.
- ➡ His death was a **SOLITARY** sacrifice.

6. The Good Shepherd is the Door of **SURRENDER** for all who enter by Him. (vv. 16-18)

As His True Sheep We Follow the Good Shepherd and Enter the Door of Salvation...

- ➡ To surrender our lives to sacrificially serve the **One Shepherd**. *2Corinthians 5:14-15*
- ➡ To surrender our lives to sacrificially serve the **One Flock**. *John 21:15-19*
- ➡ To surrender our lives to sacrificially go to the nations with the Gospel and find His **Other Sheep**. *John 20:21; Luke 15:4*



Jesus Is the Door! *Let Him Open for You!*

"Truly, truly, I say to you, I am the door of the sheep...If anyone enters by me, he will be saved and will go in and out and find pasture."

Surrender today and enter the Door of the Sheep to be abundantly saved, to be eternally secure, to be completely safe, and to be fully satisfied in your sacrifice for the Good Shepherd!

"Now may the God of peace who brought up our Lord Jesus from the dead, that great Shepherd of the sheep, through the blood of the everlasting covenant, make you complete in every good work to do His will, working in you what is well pleasing in His sight, through Jesus Christ, to whom be glory forever and ever. Amen." Hebrews 13:20-21