

## **Small Group Lesson for March 16, 2025 - I am The Door**

**Note** - you may need to skip a few questions to end on time.

**Opener:** Share about the strangest , biggest or most unusual door you have ever seen.  
(i.e. hanger door at Fairchild housing the stratotanker airplanes, the front doors to the Hearst mansion in California, the half man doors at Walmart, WW2 battery doors at Fort Stevens, a suicide door on a car, etc.)

When were you there and what was the occasion?

**Read** John 9 (Story of the man who was blind from birth).

1. What stands out in this story?
2. The Pharisees were determined to accuse Jesus of breaking the sabbath. Why was this not the case?
3. Why do you think these religious leaders would not accept the idea that this man's story was such a big deal. They determined that this was a hill to die on. Why?

**Read** John 10:1-10 from the NASB version (you can look it up in Bible Gateway online).

In the first verses, the author describes a sheep fold normally close to a village with a door and a lock and door keeper. This fold is where many herds would be kept in the warmer weather. Other than climbing over, it would have been very hard getting to the sheep.

In the later verses, Jesus refers to a sheep fold that commonly was in the fields and used in colder seasons. This fold had no door and only one sheep herd could fit.

4. What verses stand out in these 10 verses? Why?
5. What was significant when Jesus said, "I am the door"? What are the implications of Jesus being the door? What are the applications to us?
6. Verse 10 in the 10<sup>th</sup> chapter talk about two subjects: the thief and living in abundance. What are the values of these two concepts? In what ways can these concepts be misunderstood?
7. What can you do to allow for an increase in the abundance that God has for your life?
8. What is God telling you regarding this scripture?

**Prayer**