

Looking to Jesus

The Good Shepherd

Key Idea:

As our faith is tested, we must fix our eyes on the Good Shepherd.

John 10:11-16

Important concepts: Fold and Flock

Context: Blind man healed then kicked out of synagogue (John 9)

As the Good Shepherd...

Jesus knows His own sheep intimately

John 10:14
John 10:27
John 10:4-5

Jesus loves His own sheep sacrificially

John 10:11-18

Jesus calls His own sheep personally

John 10:2-3

Jesus leads His own sheep graciously

John 10:4
John 10:9-10

Jesus keeps His own sheep eternally

John 10:27-30

So what?

Are you following the Good Shepherd?

This week at CPCC:

Tuesday

Men's Study/Prayer (Room 101, 1st Floor Admin Building, 7am)

Wednesday

(Family Discipleship Groups)
CP Kid's Groups & Nursery (2nd Floor Admin Building, 6-7pm)
Teen Support Groups (2nd Floor Youth Center, 6-7pm)
Family Life Support Group (Room 101, 1st Floor Admin Building, 6-7pm)
Open Adult Study (Ice Cream Shop, 6-7pm)

Thursday

Women's Study/Prayer (Room 101, 1st Floor Admin Building, 6:15pm)

Sunday

Nursery through Kindergarten (2nd Floor Admin Building, 10-11:45am)
Corporate Worship Gathering (Auditorium, 10:15am)
CP Life Groups (Various times & locations)
Young Adults Support Group (TBD)

John 10

¹Truly, truly, I say to you, he who does not enter the sheepfold by the door but climbs in by another way, that man is a thief and a robber. ²But he who enters by the door is the shepherd of the sheep.

³To him the gatekeeper opens. The sheep hear his voice, and he calls his own sheep by name and leads them out.

⁴When he has brought out all his own, he goes before them, and the sheep follow him, for they know his voice.

⁵A stranger they will not follow, but they will flee from him, for they do not know the voice of strangers."

⁶This figure of speech Jesus used with them, but they did not understand what he was saying to them.

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

⁸All who came before me are thieves and robbers, but the sheep did not listen to them.

⁹I am the door. If anyone enters by me, he will be saved and will go in and out and find pasture.

¹⁰The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy. I came that they may have life and have it abundantly.

¹¹**I am the good shepherd.** The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep.

¹²He who is a hired hand and not a shepherd, who does not own the sheep, sees the wolf coming and leaves the sheep and flees, and the wolf snatches them and scatters them.

¹³He flees because he is a hired hand and cares nothing for the sheep.

¹⁴**I am the good shepherd.** I know my own and my own know me,

¹⁵just as the Father knows me and I know the Father; and I lay down my life for the sheep.

¹⁶And I have other sheep that are not of this fold. I must bring them also, and they will listen to my voice. So there will be one flock, one shepherd.

¹⁷For this reason the Father loves me, because I lay down my life that I may take it up again.

¹⁸No one takes it from me, but I lay it down of my own accord. I have authority to lay it down, and I have authority to take it up again. This charge I have received from my Father."

¹⁹There was again a division among the Jews because of these words.

²⁰Many of them said, "He has a demon, and is insane; why listen to him?"

²¹Others said, "These are not the words of one who is oppressed by a demon. Can a demon open the eyes of the blind?"

²²At that time the Feast of Dedication took place at Jerusalem. It was winter,

²³and Jesus was walking in the temple, in the colonnade of Solomon.

²⁴So the Jews gathered around him and said to him, "How long will you keep us in suspense? If you are the Christ, tell us plainly."

²⁵Jesus answered them, "I told you, and you do not believe. The works that I do in my Father's name bear witness about me,

²⁶but you do not believe because you are not among my sheep.

²⁷My sheep hear my voice, and I know them, and they follow me.

²⁸I give them eternal life, and they will never perish, and no one will snatch them out of my hand.

²⁹My Father, who has given them to me, is greater than all, and no one is able to snatch them out of the Father's hand.

³⁰I and the Father are one."