

Message Notes | The God We Need

Part 4: The Good Shepherd

John 10:11-15

- sheep are in need of a shepherd
- there's something in us that wants to be free - **Prov. 14:12**

#1 We are _____ in need of a _____.

→ **John 10:11-15**

#2 Jesus is a _____ who _____ you.

- God cares about you - **vs. 14**
- sheep are prone to wander - **John 10:3-4**

#3 _____ to the _____ of your Good Shepherd.

- there is an enemy who wants to harm us - **vs. 11-14**

**#4 The Good Shepherd _____ up his _____
for the sheep.**

**#5 The best place to be is in the _____ of the
Good Shepherd.**

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1. When you first heard Baarack's story, what stood out to you most about the sheep's condition and rescue?

How is that a good picture of us spiritually?

2. In what ways do you see people most "push back" against God's will and direction in their lives?

Why do you think that is?

3. **Read John 10:14-15.** How does it impact you to know that Jesus "knows you" personally — your strengths, weaknesses, joys, and pains?
4. **Read John 10:4.** What are some other "voices" in culture that compete with the voice of Jesus? Which do you find the most distracting?
5. Jesus says that his sheep "know his voice." How can we get better at recognizing his voice and knowing his will in our daily lives?
6. **Read John 10:11-13.** When you picture Jesus laying down his life for you, how does that shape your understanding of God's love? How might it affect the way you face challenges this week?
7. How does the Good Shepherd's sacrifice reshape the way you think about real freedom and security?
8. The best place to be is in the flock of the Good Shepherd. What is one step you can take this week to stay closer to Jesus?

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#2 Jesus is a shepherd who knows you.

- God cares about you - **vs. 14**
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#3 Listen to the voice of your Good Shepherd.

- there is an enemy who wants to harm us - **vs. 11-14**

#4 The Good Shepherd gave up his life for the sheep.

#5 The best place to be is in the flock of the Good Shepherd.

Bible Reading for Today

John 10:11-15

¹¹ "I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep. ¹² The hired hand is not the shepherd and does not own the sheep. So when he sees the wolf coming, he abandons the sheep and runs away. Then the wolf attacks the flock and scatters it. ¹³ The man runs away because he is a hired hand and cares nothing for the sheep.

¹⁴ "I am the good shepherd; I know my sheep and my sheep know me—

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

