

April 6th, 2025

Of Shepherds, Sheep & Stones
John 10

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John 10:14 (NIV)

OVERVIEW

- Of shepherds, thieves, and hired hands.

John 10:1-21; Matt 7:13-14

- Of sheep and who they follow. John 10:22-30

Festival of Dedication: Now known as Hannukah, a celebration of when a small group of Jewish rebels (the Maccabees) liberated the temple from the Greek-Syrians in the second century BC.

Eternal Security: Those who place their faith in Jesus Christ are guaranteed eternal salvation. "Once saved always saved."

- Of those who throw stones. John 10:31-42

Three Questions

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Matt 7:21-23

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TALK IT OVER

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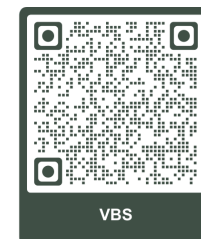
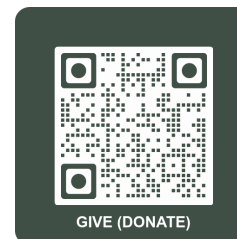
Read John 10, noting things that stand out to you. Share some of your observations with the group.

Do you believe in eternal security? What scriptures do you believe support your position?

In what ways has Jesus been the Good Shepherd in your life? What qualities about him would you like to emulate with other "sheep?"

What practices have helped to attune your ears to the Good Shepherd?

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