

# Gospel of John

## Chapter 10

“I am the door. If anyone enters by Me, he will be saved and will come in and go out and find pasture.” John 10:9

## John 10- Few verses to remember:

- “So Jesus said again, “I assure you: I am the door of the sheep” 10:7
- “I am the door. If anyone enters by Me, he will be saved and will come in and go out and find pasture.” 10:9
- “I have come so that they may have life and have it in abundance.” 10:10
- “I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep.” 10:11
- “I am the good shepherd. I know My own sheep, and they know Me. I lay down My life for the sheep.” 10:15
- “My sheep hear My voice, I know them, and they follow Me. I give them eternal life and they will never perish —ever! No one will snatch them out of My hand.” 10:27-28
- “The Father and I are one.” 10:30

## John 10: Outline

- *John 10:1-18 Christ declares himself to be the Door, and the good Shepherd.*
- *John 10:19-21 Diverse opinions concerning him.*
- *John 10:22-30 He proves to the Jews by his works that he is the Christ, and asserts his unity with the Father.*
- *John 10:31-38 The Jews go about to stone him: he justifies his doctrine.*
- *John 10:39-42 Jesus goes beyond Jordan, where many believe on him.*

# John 10:1-6

## The Ideal Shepherd

- Vv. 1-5 is a parable (illustration)
- People in this section: Thieves, robbers, shepherd, sheep, doorkeeper, stranger
- Thieves and robbers climb in some other way...(v.1)
- “How industrious are wicked people to do mischief! What plots will they lay, what pains will they take, what hazards will they run, in their wicked pursuits! This should shame us out of our slothfulness and cowardice in the service of God.” MH
- The ideal shepherd enters in through the door
- The ideal shepherd does not drive the sheep, he leads them
- The ideal shepherd takes good care of them- *he goes ahead* (v.4)
- The Jews did not understand (v.6). “Frequently the greatest pretenders to knowledge are most ignorant in the things of God.” MH

# John 10:7-21

## Jesus: The good Shepherd

- **“I am the door.”** (v.7-10)
  - The door of the sheep
    - Entrance to the sheepfold (church) is through Jesus Christ.
    - The Lord added to the church those who were saved
  - Those who enter through this door are (v.9)
    - Safe (saved)
    - Free
    - Satisfied (Content)
    - They have abundant life (v.10)
- **“I am the good shepherd.”** (v.11-18)
  - *Kalos- Good= genuineness, value and truth*
    - “I know my sheep.” v.14
    - “I lay down my life for the sheep.” v.15 (This makes Him the good shep..)
    - “I have other sheep ....” v.16. (Acts 14:27)
- **Jesus Divides** (v.19-21)
  - People into two groups- believers and unbelievers

John 10:22-39  
Jesus disputing  
with the Jews.

John 10:40-42  
Jesus goes  
beyond Jordan

- “Tell us who you are.” (v.24)
- “And many believed in Him there.” v.42

## The Sheep:

- "This simple creature [the sheep] has this special note among all animals, that it quickly hears the voice of the shepherd, follows no one else, depends entirely on him, and seeks help from him alone—cannot help itself, but is shut up to another's aid." Luther

## Application:

- Jesus gave His life for the sheep.
- In what ways we can give our life to the other sheep in the fold?



“My sheep  
hear my voice.”



# Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us

- Savior, like a shepherd lead us; much we need Thy tender care;
  - In Thy pleasant pastures feed us; for our use Thy folds prepare:
  - Blessed Jesus, Blessed Jesus, Thou has bought us, Thine we are;
  - Blessed Jesus, Blessed Jesus, Thou has bought us, Thine we are.
- Dorothy A. Thrupp