

THE GOOD SHEPHERD John 10:1-17

1. Verily, verily, I say unto you, he that enters not by the door into the sheepfold but climbs up some other way (John 14:6), the same is a thief and a robber.
2. But He that enters in by the door is the shepherd of the sheep.
3. To Him the porter opens; and the sheep hear His voice: and He calls His own sheep by name and leads them out.
4. And when He puts forth His own sheep, He goes before them, and the sheep follow Him: for they know His voice.
5. And a stranger will they not follow but will flee from him: for they know *not* the voice of strangers.
6. This parable spoke Jesus unto them: *but they understood not what things they were which He spoke unto them.*
7. Then said Jesus unto them again, "Verily, verily, I say unto you, I am the door of the sheep.
8. All that ever came before Me are thieves and robbers: but the sheep did not hear them.
9. I am the door: by Me if any man enters in, he shall be saved, and shall go in and out, and find pasture.
10. The thief comes not, but for to steal, and to kill, and to destroy: I am come that they might have life, and that they might have it more abundantly.
11. *I am the good shepherd: the good shepherd gives His life for the sheep.*
12. But he that is an hireling, and not the shepherd, whose own the sheep are not, sees the wolf coming, and leaves the sheep, and flees: and the wolf catches them, and scatters the sheep.
13. The hireling flees, because he is an hireling, and cares not for the sheep.
14. *I am the good shepherd, and know My sheep, and am known of Mine.*
15. As the Father knows Me, even so know I the Father: and I lay down my life for the sheep.
16. And other sheep I have, which are not of this fold: them also I must bring, and they shall hear My voice; and there shall be one fold, and one shepherd.
17. Therefore does My Father love Me, because I lay down My life, that I might take it again.
18. No man takes it from Me, but I lay it down of Myself. I have power to lay it down, and I have power to take it again. This commandment have I received of My Father."
27. "My sheep hear my voice, and I know them, and they follow Me:
28. And I give unto them eternal life; and they shall never perish, neither shall any man pluck them out of My hand.
29. My Father, which gave them Me, is greater than all; and no man is able to pluck them out of My Father's hand.
30. I and my Father are one."

A. THE GOOD SHEPHERD:

Psalm 23:

1. The LORD is my Shepherd; I shall not want.
2. He makes me to lie down in green pastures: He leads me beside the still waters.
3. He restores my soul: He leads me in the paths of righteousness for His name's sake.
4. Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil: for Thou art with me; Thy rod and Thy staff they comfort me.
5. Thou preparest a table before me in the presence of mine enemies: Thou anoints my head with oil; my cup runneth over.
6. Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life: and I will dwell in the house of the Lord forever.

Luke 15:4-7

4. What man of you, having an hundred sheep, if he lose one of them, does not leave the ninety and nine in the wilderness, and go after that which is lost, until he find it?
5. And when he hath found it, he lays it on his shoulders, rejoicing.
6. And when he cometh home, he calleth together his friends and neighbours, saying unto them, "Rejoice with me; for I have found my sheep which was lost."
7. I say unto you, that likewise joy shall be in heaven over one sinner that repents, more than over ninety and nine just persons, which need no repentance.

B. BUT WE HAVE GONE ASTRAY

Isaiah 53:6 All we like sheep have gone astray; we have turned every one to his own way; and the Lord hath laid on Him the iniquity of us all.

7. He was oppressed, and He was afflicted, yet He opened not His mouth: He is brought as a lamb to the slaughter, and as a sheep before her shearers is dumb, so He open not His mouth.
(1Peter 2:25 For ye were as sheep going astray; but are now returned unto the Shepherd and Bishop of your souls.)

C. SALVATION:

John 1:29b The next day John saw Jesus coming unto him, and saith, Behold the Lamb of God, which takes away the sin of the world.

John 3:16 For God so loved the world, that He gave His only begotten Son, that whosoever believes in Him should not perish, but have everlasting life.

John 3:3&7 Jesus answered and said unto him, Verily, verily, I say unto thee, Except a man be born again, he cannot see the kingdom of God... Marvel not that I said unto thee, you must be born again.

Romans 5:8 But God commended His love toward us, in that, while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us. **9.** Much more then, being now justified by His Blood, we shall be saved from wrath through Him.

Romans 10:8-10

8. But what saith it? The word is nigh thee, even in thy mouth, and in thy heart: that is, the word of faith, which we preach;
9. That if thou shalt confess with thy mouth the Lord Jesus, and shalt believe in thine heart that God hath raised him from the dead, thou shalt be saved.
10. For with the heart man believeth unto righteousness; and with the mouth confession is made unto salvation; YLT- for with the heart doth [one] believe to righteousness, and with the mouth is confession made to salvation;

Hebrews 13:20 Now the God of peace, that brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus, that great shepherd of the sheep, through the Blood of the everlasting covenant.

Revelation 7:17 For the Lamb which is in the midst of the throne shall feed them and shall lead them unto living fountains of waters: and God shall wipe away all tears from their eyes.