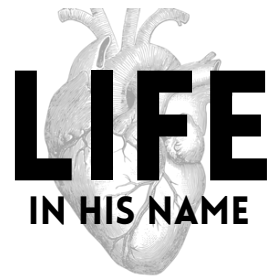


# GROWTH GUIDE

Jesus Is Our Good Shepherd | John 10:1-21  
Week of 3/17/2024



## SERMON OUTLINE .....

Big Idea: Jesus is our Good Shepherd who leads us to life.

- 1) You are a sheep that needs a shepherd. John 10:1-21, Matthew 9:36
- 2) You must listen for the shepherd's voice. John 10:1-3
- 3) You must follow the shepherd's leading. John 10:4
- 4) You will find life only through the shepherd. John 10:5-9
- 5) You can trust Jesus as your good shepherd. John 10:10-21

## GROUP DISCUSSION .....

1) Looking back at the passage, what stood out to you, was helpful, or challenged you? What questions do you have?

2) Why did Jesus compare us to sheep when showing how he cares for His people? How does knowing this about ourselves help us be better followers of our shepherd?

3) Why does God appoint human shepherds for his people? How had the Israelite leaders failed this purpose? What is different about Jesus' voice compared to the voice of our human authorities?

4) By saying "I am the door," Jesus declares he is the single point of entry to the abundant life. What doors were Jesus' listeners trying to use? What other doors might we be tempted to try to find this life? What invitation is Jesus making to us?

5) Of the ways we know we can trust Jesus to shepherd us (Jesus cares for his sheep Jn 10:10-13, knows his sheep Jn 10:14-16, gave his life for the sheep Jn 10:17-21) which most helps you to trust and why? How do we continue to grow in trust for our good shepherd?

## BREAKOUT DISCUSSION .....

1) How are your personal spiritual disciplines going and what does that show about your desire to listen for the shepherd's voice?

2) Who are you prayerfully inviting to join us for Easter? How are you leveraging this special weekend for the Gospel?

