

Message Notes ~ Sunday April 6, 2025

"Revealing God's Care"

Know God: Understanding the Gospel of John ~ Week 5

"But these are written that you may believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that by believing you may have life in his name." John 20:31

John 10:1-6

""I tell you the truth, anyone who sneaks over the wall of a sheepfold, rather than going through the gate, must surely be a thief and a robber! ² But the one who enters through the gate is the shepherd of the sheep. ³The gatekeeper opens the gate for him, and the sheep recognize his voice and come to him. He calls his own sheep by name and leads them out. ⁴ After he has gathered his own flock, he walks ahead of them, and they follow him because they know his voice. ⁵ They won't follow a stranger: they will run from him because they don't know his voice." ⁶ Those who heard Jesus use this illustration didn't understand what he

meant."

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Jesus is the _____; Are you _____

Psalm 23:1-6 "The Lord is my shepherd, I shall not be in want. He makes me lie down in green pastures, he leads me beside quiet waters, ³ he restores my soul. He guides me in paths of righteousness for his name's sake. ⁴ Even though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil, for you are with me; your rod and your staff, they comfort me.

You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies. You anoint my head with oil; my cup overflows. Surely goodness and love will follow me all the days of my life, and I will dwell in the house of the Lord forever."

The Good Shepherd _____, ____

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John 10:7-10

"so he explained it to them: "I tell you the truth, I am the gate for the sheep.⁸ All who came before me were thieves and robbers. But the true sheep did not listen to them. ⁹Yes, <u>I am the gate</u>. Those who come in through me will be saved. They will come and go freely and will find good pastures. ¹⁰ The thief's purpose is to steal and kill and destroy......" NLT

John 10:10a-13 ESV

<u>".....My purpose</u> is to give them a rich and satisfying life. I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep.¹² He who is a hired hand and not a shepherd, who does not own the sheep, sees the wolf coming and leaves the sheep and flees, and the wolf snatches them and scatters them. ¹³ He flees because he is a hired hand and cares nothing for the sheep."



Questions to consider and talk about....

- 1. Are you familiar enough with Jesus' voice that you recognize Him?
- 2. Are you listening and applying Jesus' guidance and teachings to your life?
- 3. What are some modern-day "thieves and robbers" that try to lead us away from the Good Shepherd? How can you guard against them?
- 4. How will you strengthen your bond with Jesus, drawing nearer to Him and allowing His love and sacrifice to permeate every aspect of vour life?