

“The Good Shepherd”

John #30

John 10:1-21

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Scripture Reading: John 10:11-18

Introduction

- What makes you feel unsafe? Where do you seek security?

Big Idea: Jesus, the good shepherd, is our only true source of safety and life

Context | vs. 19-21

- The man born blind had just been excommunicated from the community
- Israel & Shepherds | Ezekiel 34:1-2, Zechariah 11:17

I. The Parable | vs. 1-5

- *D.A. Carson — Near-Eastern shepherds have been known to stand at different spots outside the enclosure and sound out their own peculiar calls, their own sheep responding and gathering around their shepherd.*

II. The Parable Explained | vs. 6-10

III. The Confrontation | vs. 11-18 (no more parable!)

IV. The Teaching | Ten Lessons Learned

1. We are sheep | vulnerable, foolish, loved
2. Danger is real | thieves, robbers, wolves
3. Sheep need safety | person and place
4. False safety happens | hired hand
5. Jesus is the gate | the **place** of safety
6. Jesus is the good shepherd | leads, feeds, protects
7. The good shepherd is God | Ezekiel 34:12, 23-24
8. The good shepherd dies to give life | Zechariah 13:7, 12:10
9. The flock is very large | one flock, one shepherd
10. The good shepherd is our model | leadership

V. Application

Is your safety found in Jesus, the good shepherd?

The Lord's Table

Psalm 23 ¹ The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want. ² He makes me lie down in green pastures. He leads me beside still waters. ³ He restores my soul. He leads 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. ⁵ You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies; you anoint my head with oil; my cup overflows. ⁶ Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life, and I shall dwell in the house of the Lord forever.

Benediction

Psalm 121 ⁷ The Lord will protect us from all harm; he will protect our lives. ⁸ The Lord will protect our coming and going both now and forever.