JESUS THE GOOD SHEPHERD

IOHN 10:1-21

JOHN 10:1-6

"Truly, truly, I say to you, he who does not enter by the door into the fold of the sheep, but climbs up some other way, he is a thief and a robber. ² But he who enters by the door is a shepherd of the sheep. ³ To him the doorkeeper opens, and the sheep hear his voice, and he calls his own sheep by name and leads them out. ⁴ When he puts forth all his own, he goes ahead of them, and the sheep follow him because they know his voice. ⁵ A stranger they simply will not follow, but will flee from him, because they do not know the voice of strangers." ⁶ This figure of speech Jesus spoke to them, but they did not understand what those things were which He had been saying to them.

JOHN 10:7-10

⁷So Jesus said to them again, "Truly, truly, I say to you, I am the door of the sheep. ⁸ All who came before Me are thieves and robbers, but the sheep did not hear them. ⁹ I am the door; if anyone enters through Me, he will be saved, and will go in and out and find pasture. ¹⁰ The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy; I came that they may have life, and have *it* abundantly.

JOHN 10:11-16

¹¹ "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 is not the owner of 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 is not concerned about the sheep. ¹⁴ I am the good shepherd, and I know My own and My own know Me, ¹⁵ even as the Father knows Me and I know the Father; and I lay down My life for the sheep. ¹⁶ I have other sheep, which are not of this fold; I must bring them also, and they will hear My voice; and they will become one flock with one shepherd.

JOHN 17:17-21

 17 For this reason the Father loves Me, because I lay down My life so that I may take it again. 18 No one has taken it away from Me, but I lay it down on My own initiative. I have authority to lay it down, and I have authority to take it up again. This commandment I received from My Father."

¹⁹ A division occurred again among the Jews because of these words. ²⁰ Many of them were saying, "He has a demon and is insane. Why do you listen to Him?" ²¹ Others were saying, "These are not the sayings of one demon-possessed. A demon cannot open the eyes of the blind, can he?"

JOHN 10:1-6: THE VOICE OF THE SHEPHERD

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"THE SHEEP HEAR HIS VOICE... KNOW HIS VOICE... AND HE CALLS HIS OWN SHEEP BY NAME"

THE VOICE OF THE LORD: PSALM 29

- ³ The voice of the Lord is over the waters; the God of glory thunders, the Lord thunders over the mighty waters.
- ⁴The voice of the Lord is powerful; the voice of the Lord is majestic. ⁵The voice of the Lord breaks the cedars;
- the Lord breaks in pieces the cedars of Lebanon.
- 6 He makes Lebanon leap like a calf, Sirion like a young wild ox. 7 The voice of the Lord strikes
- with flashes of lightning.

 8 The voice of the Lord shakes the desert;
- the Lord shakes the Desert of Kadesh. ⁹ The voice of the Lord twists the oaks and strips the forests bare.
- And in his temple all cry, "Glory!"

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The wonderful exclusivity of Jesus Christ

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John 10:11-18: SACRIFICE, UNDER-SHEPHERDS, AND THE NATIONS

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How will the "other sheep" hear His voice and how will He bring them into the fold?

Paul-type and Timothy-type missionary under-shepherds

JOHN 10:17-21: THE RESPONSE

THE DIVISION OF THE CROWD

WHO DO YOU SAY JESUS IS?