



## Ch 10

Theme – Lord speaks to Pharisees; overall teaching on difference between the thief & the True Shepherd of the Sheep; only the True Shepherd approaches through the door; Shepherd calls His sheep by name (knows us by name & sovereignty of God); sheep follow & know His voice (our response & freewill choice of man); the flock of the Lord does not follow the stranger b/c we do not recognize the stranger's voice; "I AM the Door of the Sheepfold" (3rd I AM statement, repeated 2x); those who enter by Jesus will have life "to the full" (NIV); difference between thief & True Shepherd; "I AM the Good Shepherd (4th I AM statement, also repeated 2x); difference between the Good Shepherd (lays down His life for the sheep) & a hireling (claims to be a shepherd, but "sees, leaves, & flees" – v12); the Lord knows us & we know Him, even as He knows the Father & the Father knows the Son (v14-15); the flock of God is bigger than the Jews can imagine; the Father loves the Son b/c the Son willingly lays His life down (to do the will of Him who sent Me- Jn 4:34, 5:30, 6:38+ Matt 26:39, Mk 14:36, Lk 22:42); people divided over Jesus; Feast of Dedication (Hanukkah); Pharisees demand that the Lord tell them plainly if He is the Messiah; Lord points out that they don't believe Him or the works that He does in the Father's name (always gives glory to the Father for the signs & wonders); they don't believe b/c they are not His sheep (reminder of v4-5, don't know His voice); eternal security is based on the strength of the Son & the Father (v28-29); Jesus & the Father are one (both fully God & have all power); Jewish leaders go to stone the Lord b/c He claimed to be God (v30-33, clear claim to be divine in v30); if God called wicked judges "gods" (Ps 82:6), why are they amazed that Jesus, who is good & does good (Ps 119:68), would claim to be the Son of God; the works of Jesus testify that Jesus is one with the Father (v25 & Jn 5:36); religious leaders try to stone Jesus again, Lord goes to the east of the Jordan where JTB once ministered (need to be nearby for ch 11 & raising of Lazarus from the dead); people confirm the testimony of JTB

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