

## John 10:1-21 | 2020 Spring Toolkit #8

### My Story

Respond briefly to 2 of the of the questions below.

- As a child what was your favorite pet? How did they respond to your voice? Briefly describe your journey in hearing God's voice? How do you discern Jesus voice from all the other competing voices?

### Digging Deeper

1. John 10:1-21. What stands out from *this passage or the weekend message*?
  - a. Who are the gatekeepers?
  - b. What does it mean that Jesus is the door (gate)?
  - c. Describe the relationship between the 'Good Shepherd' & the sheep.
  - d. Ezekiel 34:1-24. How does God evaluate shepherds?
  - e. How does Jesus fulfill this *Ezekiel* passage?
2. John 10:7-18. What is the goal of the thieves, robbers, & wolves?
  - a. *Who are they?*
  - b. *What is their strategy?*
  - c. Describe their attacks on you?
  - d. *How do you recognize or discern that it is an enemy attack or living in a fallen world or both?*
3. *What does Jesus intend to communicate about what the abundant life is like?*
  - a. *Is it automatic or something we choose to walk and flow in?*
  - b. How have you experienced the abundant life Jesus offers to those who follow?
  - c. *How does hardship or challenge or persecution fit in with this concept of 'abundant life'?*  
*How would the disciples in the book of Acts answered the previous question?*
4. Describe & reflect on Jesus' motivation, choice & power in laying down his life?
5. How do you recognize Jesus voice when the thief is speaking also? What helps you listen for Jesus voice? Describe times & ways Jesus has led you? How is Jesus calling you to follow Him now?

Challenge:

Memorize John 10:10-11. Listen for & follow the Good Shepherds voice. Know Him!

### *I Am Who I Am | The Good Shepherd | John 10:1-21*

**Big Idea: The abundant life is found living under the authority of the "Good King."**

Jesus invites those God has called into His Kingdom. (Jn. 10:1-6)

Jesus is the gateway to the abundant life. (Jn. 10:7-10)

The abundant life is found in submitting to a new king. (Jn. 10:11-15)

The "Good King" exchanged his life for my life. (Jn. 10:16-21)

**Next steps:**

- Accept Jesus' offer of new life under his authority
- Identify one thing that you are holding onto
- Celebrate an area in your life where Jesus is King