

## 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.

#### **LIVE IT OUT**

##### **Putting the Bible into Practice:**

Read John 10:1-21. What stands out? Who are the gatekeepers? What does it mean that Jesus is the door (gate)? Describe the relationship between the 'Good Shepherd' & the sheep. Read Ezekiel 34:1-24. How does God evaluate shepherds? How does Jesus fulfill this passage?

Read John 10:7-18. What is the goal of the thieves, robbers & wolves? Describe their attacks on you. How have you experienced the abundant life Jesus offers to those who follow?

Describe & reflect on Jesus' motivation, choice & power in laying down His life? 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 Shepherd's voice. Know Him!