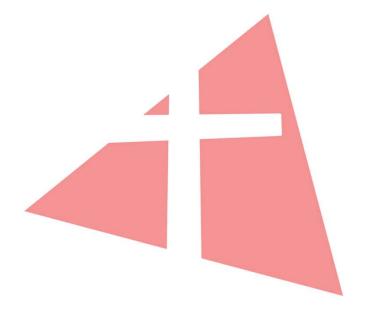
# Jesus, the Good Shepherd

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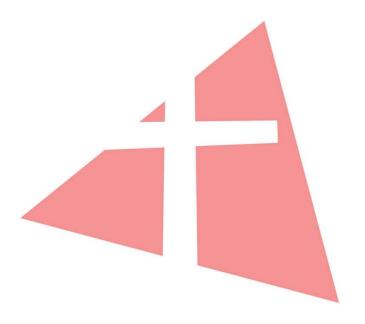
#### **Last Week**

- God's Purpose of Miracles is to give Glory to Him
  - Satan cannot undo God's miracles
  - But satan will try to distract us from giving Glory to God



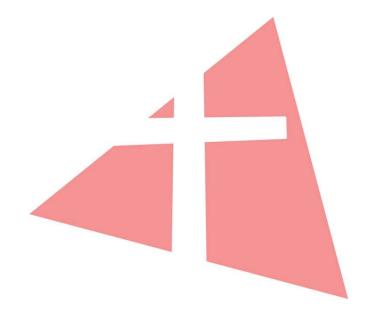
## **Today's Focus**

Jesus the Good Shepherd



### 4 People

- The Shepherd (us)
- o The thief (Satan)
- The Good Shepherd and the Door (Jesus)
- The hireling (false prophets or false shepherds)
- We'll focus on Jesus and Satan today



### Sheep

- Sheep are very dumb animals
  - Sheep left by themselves won't survive for long
- Sheep are only good at one thing: They can discern the voice of their shepherd

### We are God's Sheep

- We should acknowledge how dependent we are on God for our daily survival
- We should learn to simply listen to, trust and follow God's voice
  - Just like sheep

#### **Salvation & Providence**

John 10:9 (KJ2000) I am the door: by me if any man enter in, he shall be saved, and shall go in and out, and find pasture.

#### Jesus vs. Satan

John 10:10 (KJ2000) The thief comes not, but to steal, and to kill, and to destroy: I am come that they might have life, and that they might have it more abundantly.

### **The Good Shepherd**

John 10:11 (KJ2000) I am the good shepherd: the good shepherd gives his life for the sheep.

### Intimacy

John 10:14-15 (KJ2000) I am the good shepherd, and know my sheep, and am known of mine. As the Father knows me, even so know I the Father: and I lay down my life for the sheep.

#### **Our Part**

John 10:27 (KJ2000) My sheep hear my voice, and I know them, and they follow me:

#### **Assurance**

John 10:28-29 (KJ2000) And I give unto them eternal life; and they shall never perish, neither shall any man pluck them out of my hand. My Father, who gave them to me, is greater than all; and no man is able to pluck them out of my Father's hand.

Romans 8:38-39 For I am persuaded, that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor principalities, nor powers, nor things present, nor things to come, Nor height, nor depth, nor any other creation, shall be able to separate us from the love of God, which is in Christ Jesus our Lord.

### Jesus, the Good Shepherd

#### Jesus is our good shepherd

This Truth has many implications that should affect the way we relate to Him

#### Psalm 23

Psalm 23:1-6 (KJ2000) The LORD is my shepherd; I shall not want. He makes me to lie down in green pastures: he leads me beside the still waters. He restores my soul: he leads me in the paths of righteousness for his name's sake. Yea, 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. You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies: you anoint my head with oil; my cup runs over. Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life: and I will dwell in the house of the LORD forever.