I am the Good Shepherd

John 10V1-10 FOLLOWING THE SHEPHERD





Psalm 78v52...

But he brought his people out like a flock; he led them <u>like sheep</u> through the wilderness



Psalm 100v3...

Know that the Lord is God. It is he who made us, and we are his; we are his people, <u>the sheep of his pasture</u>.



Isaiah 53v6... We all like sheep have gone astray, each of us has turned to our own way...

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V1: 'Very truly <u>I tell you Pharisees</u>, anyone who does not enter the sheepfold by the gate, but climbs in by some other way, is a <u>thief and a robber</u>.

Ezekiel 34v1-4:

The word of the LORD came to me: ² 'Son of man, prophesy against the shepherds of Israel; prophesy and say to them: "This is what the Sovereign LORD says: woe to you shepherds of Israel who only take care of yourselves! Should not shepherds take care of the flock?

Ezekiel 34v1-4:

³ You eat the curds, clothe yourselves with the wool and slaughter the choice animals, but you do not take care of the flock. ⁴ You have not strengthened the weak or healed those who are ill or bound up the injured. You have not brought back the strays or searched for the lost. You have ruled them harshly and brutally.

Ezekiel 34v10:

This is what the Sovereign LORD says: <u>I</u> <u>am against</u> the shepherds and will hold them accountable for my flock. <u>I will</u> <u>remove them</u> from tending the flock... V10: ...I will rescue my flock

V15: ...I myself will tend my sheep

V16: ...I will search for the lost and bring back the strays

V16: ...I will bind up the injured and strengthen the weak

V16: ... I will shepherd the flock with justice

John 10v11: I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep.

"The man who makes much of Christ is a shepherd after God's own heart. The minister who makes little of Christ is one whom God regards as an imposter, one who has climbed up to his holy office not by the door but by 'some other way'. There are thousands of ordained men in the present day who know nothing about Christ accept his name. They have not entered through 'the door' themselves and they are unable to show it to others." **JC Rvle**

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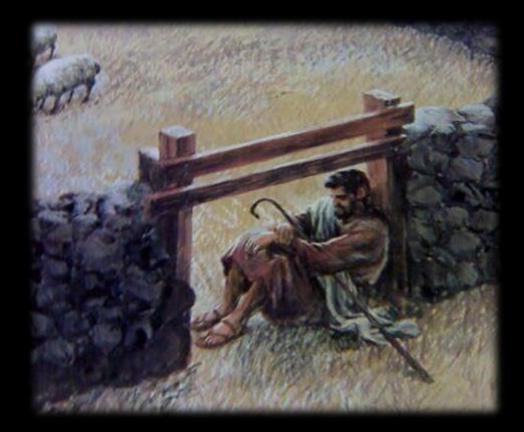
V4: When he has brought out all his own, he goes on ahead of them, <u>and his</u> <u>sheep follow him</u> because they know his voice. Jesus as the true shepherd of the sheep... is gathering a flock to himself... in order to give them life



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