

## Response Questions

June 18, 2023

*My God, My Father*

John 10:22-42

1. If you do not know already, do a search to learn more about the "Feast of Dedication" (John 10:22). What was it? Why was it significant? What is the present name of the Feast of Dedication, held in December?
2. What do you think the Jews were trying to push Jesus towards with their question: "If you are the Christ, tell us plainly" (John 10:24)?
3. What is significant about Jesus' response to their questioning (John 10:25-29)?
4. Why is it so hard to trust Jesus as our all-sufficient and capable shepherd? What often stands in our way of trusting Him?
5. What is the incredible good news revealed in John 10:28-29? What confidence and encouragement does this give you?
6. What do you think Jesus means when he said that "no one will snatch them [his sheep] out of his hands?" Who is he referring to?
7. What invitation is offered in John 10:37-38? How does the context of verse 31 make Jesus' invitation even more amazing and gracious? What does this teach you about Jesus and your own rebellion?
8. What differentiated Jesus from other messianic figures who had come before him? How legitimized his claim to be the Messiah?