

GOOD SHEPHERD

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I. Six Lessons from the Good Shepherd

John 10:11 I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep.

John 10:27-28 My sheep listen to my voice; I know them, and they follow me. I give them eternal life, and they shall never perish; no one will snatch them out of my hand.

1. *Sheep Listen to the Shepherd's Voice.*

John 10:27-28 My sheep listen to my voice; I know them, and they follow me. I give them eternal life, and they shall never perish; no one will snatch them out of my hand.

John 10:4-5 When he has brought out all his own, he goes on ahead of them, and his sheep follow him because they know his voice. But they will never follow a stranger; in fact, they will run away from him because they do not recognize a stranger's voice.

- **We can hear the voice of our Good Shepherd.**
- **Let the voice of the Good Shepherd rise above every other voice in your life.**

2. *The Shepherd Knows the Sheep*

John 10:27-28 My sheep listen to my voice; I know them, and they follow me. I give them eternal life, and they shall never perish; no one will snatch them out of my hand.

John 10:14 I am the good shepherd; I know my sheep and my sheep know me—

- **We can trust our Good Shepherd.**

John 10:12-13 The hired hand is not the shepherd and does not own the sheep. So when he sees the wolf coming, he abandons the sheep and runs away. Then the wolf attacks the flock and scatters it. The man runs away because he is a hired hand and cares nothing for the sheep.

John 10:22 Then came the Festival of Dedication at Jerusalem.

- **We put our hope in our Good Shepherd.**

3. *Sheep Follow Their Shepherd.*

John 10:27-28 My sheep listen to my voice; I know them, and they follow me. I give them eternal life, and they shall never perish; no one will snatch them out of my hand.

Psalms 23:1-3 The LORD is my shepherd, I lack nothing. He makes me lie down in green pastures, he leads me beside quiet waters, he refreshes my soul. He guides me along the right paths for his name's sake.

- **The Good Shepherd guides us in the ways that are right.**

Psalms 23:4 Even though I walk through the darkest valley, I will fear no evil, for you are with me; your rod and your staff, they comfort me.

- **The Good Shepherd journeys with us through the dark places.**

4. The Good Shepherd Gives Life.

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- **The Good Shepherd leads us to the refreshed life.**

John 10:10 The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy; I have come that they may have life, and have it to the full.

- **The Good Shepherd leads us to abundant life.**
- **The Good Shepherd gives us eternal life.**

5. Jesus' Sheep are Saved.

John 10:27-28 My sheep listen to my voice; I know them, and they follow me. I give them eternal life, and they shall never perish; no one will snatch them out of my hand.

- **The Good Shepherd saves us from danger.**
- **The Good Shepherd saves us from ourselves.**

6. The Good Shepherd Lays Down His Life for the Sheep.

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II. COMMUNION

1 Corinthians 11:27-29 So then, whoever eats the bread or drinks the cup of the Lord in an unworthy manner will be guilty of sinning against the body and blood of the Lord. Everyone ought to examine themselves before they eat of the bread and drink from the cup. For those who eat and drink without discerning the body of Christ eat and drink judgment on themselves.

1 Corinthians 11:23-24 For I received from the Lord what I also passed on to you: The Lord Jesus, on the night he was betrayed, took bread, and when he had given thanks, he broke it and said, "This is my body, which is for you; do this in remembrance of me."

1 Corinthians 11:25-26 In the same way, after supper he took the cup, saying, "This cup is the new covenant in my blood; do this, whenever you drink it, in remembrance of me." For whenever you eat this bread and drink this cup, you proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.