

I Am the Good Shepherd.... I Am the Door

Psalm 23

The LORD is my shepherd; I shall not want. (All needs met)

² He makes me lie down in green pastures.
He leads me beside still waters. (Provision for basic needs)

³ He restores my soul. He leads me in paths of righteousness^[b]
for his name's sake. (Following Jesus rightly glorifies His name)

⁴ Even though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death,^[c]
I will fear no evil, for you are with me; your rod and your staff,
they comfort me. (Protection)

⁵ You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies;
you anoint my head with oil; my cup overflows. (Healing)

⁶ Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life,
and I shall dwell in the house of the Lord forever. (Belong to Him).

John 10: 1- 5

- There is only one door to the sheep fold and the shepherd enters this way.
- All others that climb over the wall are thieves and robbers.
- The sheep hear the shepherd's voice.
- The shepherd calls them by name.
- The shepherd leads them out.
- The shepherd goes before them, and the sheep follow.
- The sheep will not follow a stranger but flee from the stranger's voice.

John 10:7-10 I AM THE DOOR

- Only one door for salvation and to find pasture.
- The thief only to kill, steal and destroy.
- The Shepherd gives abundant life.

Door of the Heart

- Genesis 4:7
- Revelation 3:20

The Narrow Door

- Luke 13:24-25

Door for Ministry

- Revelation 3:8
- I Corinthians 16:9
- 2 Corinthians 2:12

John 10:11- 15 I AM THE GOOD SHEPHERD

- The Good Shepherd lays down His life for the sheep.
- The hireling (hired one) does not lay his life down.
- The hireling leaves the flock when the wolf (danger) comes.
- The wolf snatches sheep and scatters the flock.
- The hireling thinks only of himself, not about his duty to protect the sheep.

Ezekiel 34 – The failure of the shepherds of Israel.

- Self indulgence
- Neglect of the flock
- Sickly not strengthened.
- Diseased not healed.
- Broken not bound up.
- Scattered not gathered back up.
- Lost are ignored. (Jesus leaves the 99 to find the 1 that is missing)
- Domination not laying down life and serving the flock.

Malachi 2:1-9 – Failure of the priests

Zechariah 11:17 – the worthless shepherd

Jesus the Good Shepherd

- Prophetic -Isaiah 40:10-11
- Kingly – Matthew 2:6
- Chief Shepherd – 1 Peter 5:4
- Great Shepherd – Hebrews 13:20
- Judgement of the Shepherd – Matthew 25:31-46