

JESUS, THE, I AM

**Jesus, the Good Shepherd**

**Luke 2:8-17; John 10:1-17**

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## **Jesus, the Good Shepherd**

John 10:7-11

### **Lessons**

1. **Jesus is your access into the Kingdom of God and all that God promises.**

*John 10:7*

2. **Beware of thieves and wolves as sheep.**

*John 10:10, 12*

3. **The focus of the wolf's attack is to isolate you.**

*John 10:12/ Luke 15:4*

4. **I am against anything that is against you – said Jesus**

*John 10:10*

5. **I don't run from your fights; I fight for you – said Jesus**

*John 10:11-12*

## **Growth Group Discussion**

### **For the week of December 10, 2023**

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#### **WHAT'S YOUR HIGHLIGHT?**

Looking back at your notes from this week's teaching, was there anything you heard for the first time or something that caught your attention, challenged, or confused you?

#### **WHAT'S YOUR STORY?**

1. Have you ever felt vulnerable like you live among wolves?
2. Have you had a time in your life where you felt the great shepherd was fighting for you and you could feel it?

#### **DIGGING DEEPER**

1. Pastor Neil reminded us that we have an enemy who takes delight when children of God are distracted, when we don't feel strong in our sense of purpose, or when we can't distinguish the voice of our Good Shepherd, Jesus. As you think about your journey with Jesus, in what situations or seasons have you felt most discouraged, distracted, or defeated?
2. When you think back on those moments, what is your response to hearing there was an enemy who wanted you to feel that way, who was rooting against you?
3. Are there any common areas or tactics in your life you think the enemy uses to try to trip you up or get you to feel this way? In other words, frequent situations or triggers that

repeatedly lead to you doubting your God-given purpose, losing your joy, or experiencing turbulence in your relationship with God or others.

4. Despite this enemy's determination to steal, kill, and destroy, Scripture promises that he won't win the fight against children of God when we cling to the Lord's mighty power.
  - a. Read James 4:7 and Ephesians 6:10-18.
  - b. What phrases stand out to you or make you feel most empowered against the enemy's schemes?
5. Imagine you had an opportunity to tell someone where you stand, who you are, what you're made of, and why the enemy won't defeat you. Reflecting on this weekend's message and these two passages, what would you say?