

## Bible Study Questions

### I AM the Good Shepherd

#### Security

John 10:1-21

Wednesday, September 7, 2022

1. As you scan back through the passage, list all the things that the shepherd does for the sheep.

Which of these do you think is most important in the person who “shepherds” your life, and why?

2. What responsibilities are placed on the sheep in this passage?
3. Who or what is represented by the thief or the wolf in Jesus’ story?

Compare the goals of the thief and the wolf with the goals of the shepherd.

4. Several times Jesus says that the good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep (vv. 11, 15, 17-28). How does Jesus’ sacrifice of himself make you feel about yourself? How does it make you feel about Jesus?

5. Why does Jesus emphasize that he lays down his life of his own accord (vv. 1-18)?

6. How do Jesus' listeners respond to his words (vv. 6, 19-21)?

Why do you think his words create such a difference of opinion?

7. How do people respond today to Jesus' gracious offer to be their shepherd?

8. Even under the watchful eye of a shepherd, sheep can wander off. In what situations have you left (or been tempted to leave) the safety of Jesus' care?

What is the good shepherd's response to us when we wander off?

9. What have you learned about Jesus in this passage that will help you when you (or a friend) struggle with accepting Jesus' love?