

# “The Challenge of the Good Shepherd”

Sermon

*John 10:11-21*

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1) The Good Shepherd teaching is a disruptive teaching.

39 Jesus said, “For judgment I came into this world, so that those who do not see may see, and those who see may become blind.” 40 Some of the Pharisees near him heard these things, and said to him, “What? Are we blind, too?” 41 Jesus said to them, “If you were blind, you would have no guilt; but now that you say, ‘We see,’ your guilt remains.” *John 9:39–41*

19 The Jews who heard these words were again divided. 20 Many of them said, “He is demon-possessed and raving mad. Why listen to him?” 21 But others said, “These are not the sayings of a man possessed by a demon. Can a demon open the eyes of the blind?” *John 10:19–21*

2) The fundamental question of the Good Shepherd is:

Do you know whose you are?

“I am the gate for the sheep.” *John 10:7*

“I have come that they may have life and have it to the full.” *John 10:10*

“I am the good shepherd.” *John 10:11*

“I know my sheep and my sheep know me.” *John 10:14*

“I lay down my life for the sheep.” *John 10:15*

“I have authority to lay it down and authority to take it up again.”  
*John 10:18*