

The Good Shepherd

Based on John 10: 1-5

As Jesus traveled about the countryside preaching, He often stopped to watch the shepherds carefully looking after their sheep.

One day when Jesus was talking to the people, He said: "I am the good shepherd." He told the people how sheep in a sheepfold know their shepherd.

"If a stranger tries to break into the sheepfold, the sheep will not follow him. But when their own kind shepherd comes into their sheepfold and calls to them, the sheep will follow him. The sheep know that their shepherd will take care of them and protect them from harm," said Jesus.

When Jesus said, "I am the good shepherd," He meant that He loved the people who followed Him, just as a good shepherd loves his sheep. Jesus wanted people to follow Him and live the way God, His Heavenly Father, wanted him to live on earth.

