

"The Lord Is My Shepherd"

Text: John 10:1-6

Scripture reading: Ezekiel 34:1-16

I. The true Shepherd - vv. 1-6

A) The Shepherd who is authorized - vv. 2-3

Application:

B) The Shepherd who is watchful - vv. 1, 5 (Ez. 34:5, 8)

Application: God's flock is cared for by...

- _____ with the truth of Christ:
(II. Pet. 3:17; I Tim. 6:20-21; Phil. 4:6-7)

- _____ in Christ:
(Heb. 10:24-25; Rom. 15:1-3; Gal. 6:1-2)

- _____ for Christ:
(Heb. 13:17; Titus 1:7-9; Acts 20:28-32)

C) The Shepherd who is known - vv. 3-5

Application:

"...the true disciple of the Lord 'does not know' (refuses to acknowledge) the voice of strangers (cf. II John 10), who come to him with strange philosophy, strange theology, and strange ethics; and, therefore, he does not follow them. He is resolutely determined to follow only the one true Shepherd, Jesus, as He speaks in His Word. All others he shuns; in fact, he runs away from them in horror."

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