

# Sermon Series – “I AM”

## **Part 6 – “The Good Shepherd”**

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**Scripture Reading:** John 10:11 & 12

The \_\_\_\_\_ for today’s \_\_\_\_\_ gives us the imagery of a pastoral \_\_\_\_\_ where Jesus takes the mind of His \_\_\_\_\_ to observe the ways of a true \_\_\_\_\_ giving care to his \_\_\_\_\_. Of all the \_\_\_\_\_ with which the people were familiar, this was the most prevalent. Many of the patriarchs and leaders of Israel such as Abraham, Isaac, Jacob, and David had \_\_\_\_\_ as their first or main occupation. When Moses \_\_\_\_\_ to use brute force to lead the children of Israel out of \_\_\_\_\_, God \_\_\_\_\_ him in the ways of a shepherd that he would learn the virtue of patience and be a fit man to deliver God’s people and *lead* them out of Egypt to the borders of Canaan. As we open the \_\_\_\_\_, may our hearts be drawn closer to our \_\_\_\_\_ who, in \_\_\_\_\_ of our \_\_\_\_\_, gave Himself as our \_\_\_\_\_. Let us pray.

### **Knowing the Good Shepherd** (John 10:10-30)

1. How does Scripture \_\_\_\_\_ prophetically that Christ is the Shepherd? *v11; Multiple*
2. How does Jesus differentiate between the hired \_\_\_\_\_ and the shepherd? *v11-13*
3. What does the Shepherd do for His \_\_\_\_\_ and lost sheep? *v 16; Matt. 18:12-14*
4. When \_\_\_\_\_ for the sheep, how do they know His voice? *v16,27; Rm 12:3; Ti 2:11*
5. Why does the Shepherd *become a sheep* and \_\_\_\_\_ Himself? *v17-18; Isa 53:6-11*

Through all our trials we have a never-failing Helper. He does not leave us alone to struggle with temptation, to battle with evil, and be finally crushed with burdens and sorrow. Though now He is hidden from mortal sight, the ear of faith can hear His voice saying, Fear not; I am with you. “I am He that liveth, and was dead; and, behold, I am alive forevermore.” Revelation 1:18. I have endured your sorrows, experienced your struggles, encountered your temptations. I know your tears; I also have wept. The griefs that lie too deep to be breathed into any human ear, I know. Think not that you are desolate and forsaken. Though your pain touch no responsive chord in any heart on earth, look unto Me, and live. “The mountains shall depart, and the hills be removed; but My kindness shall not depart from thee, neither shall the covenant of My peace be removed, saith the Lord that hath mercy on thee.” Isaiah 54:10. ¶However much a shepherd may love his sheep, he loves his sons and daughters more.

**The Desire of Ages, p. 483**

*May we find safety in the fold of our Good Shepherd!*