

Sermon Discussion Guide

The Shepherd's Voice John 10:1-21 Zach Lutz, May 30, 2021

Step 1: Reflect on the Text

Read the Scripture printed above. What stood out to you (interesting, challenging, confusing, etc.)?

Step 2: Reflect on the Sermon

- 1) We listen to lots of voices (the voices of parents, politicians, self-talk, greed, ect).
 - a) Can you name some voices people listen to?
 - b) Can you name two that are especially prominent in your own life?
 - c) How do these voices imitate the voice of the Good Shepherd?

FOR US INDIVIDUALLY:

- 2) As a group, choose one of the voices you listed earlier and answer the following questions:
 - a) How would listening to that voice leave someone unknown?
 - b) How would listening to that voice leave someone exposed?
 - c) How would listening to that voice leave someone enslaved?
- 3) One of the marks of the Good Shepherd is that he cares for us individually.
 - a) If Jesus, the true shepherd, knows us by name, what is one area in your life where you need to remember that you are fully known?
 - b) If Jesus, the true shepherd, gives us security, what is one place in your life where you need to remember that Jesus keeps you safe?
 - c) If Jesus, the true shepherd, provides for pasture for us for us in which to serve Him, what is one place in your life where you can serve Jesus with more joy and freedom?

FOR US COMMUNALLY:

- 4) Based on this passage, what would you say to someone who says: "I just want to follow Jesus' voice on my own, I don't think I really need to be part of a church."
- 5) Why do you think it easy for a group of people listening to one voice (that isn't Jesus) to go off the rails?
- 6) Zach said that one way we act for unity in the church is to follow Jesus in dying to ourselves and laying down our lives for our friends. What is one way you can do that, currently?

Step 3: Final Reflections

- 7) How has your understanding, appreciation, and love for Jesus and the gospel grown as a result of this study?
- 8) In what areas of faith and practice are you feeling convicted by the Holy Spirit to work on as a result of this study?