

PART 4: Who Is Leading You?

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START

Sheep were critical to the culture, economic stability, and livelihood of the ancient near east. The people depended upon sheep for their food, clothes, and so much more. When Jesus refers to himself as the good shepherd and His love for His sheep He is putting high value on the sheep (us) to whom He shepherds.

- What is an animal that we depend on in our culture?
- What is the significance of Jesus being our shepherd?

READ

[John 10:14-15](#) (NIV)

"I am the good shepherd; I know my sheep and my sheep know me— just as the Father knows me and I know the Father—and I lay down my life for the sheep.

THINK

Jesus chooses to lay down His life for us. Because of God's love, Jesus was compelled to offer Himself as a sacrifice so that we could have a relationship with Him and that we could have life abundantly in Him.

- What does Jesus' love for us tell us about our value to Him?
- When has God's love compelled you to serve God?

Part of following Jesus is being obedient to how He has called us to live. Not because we "have to" but because we "get to". His love for us grows a desire within us to be obedient because of what He has done for us.

- How does God's love for us encourage obedience?
- How can we walk alongside one another to encourage obedience?

PRAY

"God, help me to lean into your love for me. Thank you for being the good shepherd and laying your life down for me. Allow your love for me to foster obedience in my life."

ACT

This week, where do you need to lean into your obedience to God in your life? If you haven't taken the step into baptism take that step. You can sign up at tconline.tv/baptism.

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