



Sermon Title: *The Resurrection According to Jesus*

Scripture: John 10:1-18

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INTRODUCTION

Mark 14:27; Mark 6:34 -

"...the Great Shepherd..." (Hebrews 13:20)

"...the Chief Shepherd..." (1 Peter 5:4)

"...the Good Shepherd..." (John 10:11)

I. THE RESURRECTED, LOVING, LIFE-GIVING, GOOD SHEPHERD

1) Jesus has the right, power, authority, and freedom to both lay down and take up His life!

2) As the Good Shepherd, Jesus definitively and intimately knows and loves His sinful sheep.

3) Because of Jesus, our Good Shepherd, we are saved, safe, and satisfied in Him!

"Saved..." *"If anyone enters by Me, he will be saved..." (John 10:9)*

Past Event: Free from Sin's Penalty (Justification)

Present Reality: Free from Sin's Power (Sanctification)

Future Certainty: Free from Sin's Presence (Glorification)

"Safe..." *"...he will be saved and will go in and out and find pasture." (John 10:9)*

"Satisfied..." *"I came that they may have life and have it abundantly." (John 10:10)*

4) Are you one of Jesus' sheep? Do you know Jesus as the Good Shepherd?

1. The sheep listen to the Good Shepherd. (verses 3-4)
2. The sheep follow the Good Shepherd. (verse 4)
3. The sheep enter through (trust in the sufficiency of) the Good Shepherd. (verses 7, 9)
4. The sheep come from various backgrounds but are one in their Good Shepherd. (verse 16)

Questions for Further Study, Reflection, and Application...

1. What does Jesus mean (in verse 18) when He says that He has the "authority" to lay down and take up His life? What is Jesus claiming?
2. Why is it both terrifying and comforting to hear that Jesus knows us perfectly and completely?
3. How does God "save us" and free us from sin's penalty, power, and presence?
4. What does it mean to have "abundant life" (verse 10)? Are you living according to this reality?
5. What does Jesus say that his sheep will do (verses 3-5, 7, 9)? Are you one of Jesus' sheep?