

Family Table Talk

for the week of April 15, 2018

Opportunity
Christian Fellowship

Discuss and apply the truth of God's Word as a family.

Read it . . .

John 10:11-18

To Make Him Known: the Good Shepherd

Sheep are pretty stupid animals. They're slow, easily scared, and weak. They follow their stomachs from grass patch to grass patch until they're lost from the rest of their flock. They are short sighted. They will eat every bite of grass all the way down to the roots and kill their own pasture.

And the Bible is constantly comparing us to sheep.

Sheep need shepherds. They need someone who will lead them from field to field so they

don't kill all the grass. They need someone to keep them from getting lost. They need someone to protect them from wolves and other dangers.

There are a lot of shepherds in the Bible. Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob were shepherds. David was a shepherd. Shepherds were the only people angels told about baby Jesus when He was born in Bethlehem. The Old Testament calls God our shepherd. The New Testament calls Jesus our shepherd. Hmmm.

<p><u>Sunday</u></p> <p>Read Psalm 23</p> <p>Who is the Shepherd? What does the Shepherd do?</p>	<p><u>Monday</u></p> <p>Read John 10:11-18</p> <p>Who was the Shepherd in Psalm 23? Who does Jesus say He is? So who is "the Father" that Jesus talks about?</p>	<p><u>Tuesday</u></p> <p>Read John 10:11-18</p> <p>What does the Shepherd do?</p>
<p><u>Wednesday</u></p> <p>Read Acts 4:5-12</p> <p>What does "saved" mean? What are we saved from?</p>	<p><u>Thursday</u></p> <p>Read 1 John 3:16-22</p> <p>Do you know John 3:16? 1 John 3:16 is a really good verse to memorize, too. How do you show your love for others?</p>	<p><u>Friday</u></p> <p>Read 1 John 3:23-24</p> <p>Sheep follow shepherds. How do we follow our Good Shepherd?</p>

Memory Verse: John 10:14

I am the good shepherd; I know my own sheep,
and they know me.

Coming Up Next Week:

To Make Him Known:
Wherever and Whenever