

**“BEING A RESTORED HUMAN”**



**“FOLLOW THE LEADER WITH ABUNDANT LIFE”**

**JOHN 10:1-21**

**I. THE FALSE AND THE TRUE**

**A. Thieves and robbers**

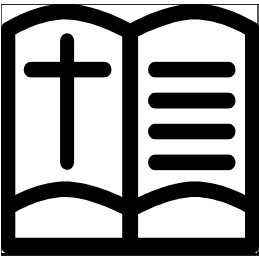
1. *Those with spirituality that teach another way to get into the spiritual realm*
2. *Shaman - human mediators in relation to spirits who through ritual and mind-altering substances enter into the spiritual realm and teach that knowledge and perform signs*
3. *False prophets and false teachers - deceitful*
4. *They steal, kill and destroy*

**B. Wolves**

1. *Those with a hunger for sheep*
2. *Those who, with deceit, become a part of the flock in order to satisfy the appetite for sheep*
3. *Predators who hate God*

**C. Hirelings**

1. *Volunteered to assist the shepherd for pay*
  - a. *Love the concept and romance*
  - b. *Fearful rather than faithful*
  - c. *Love their own lives*
  - d. *The sheep are not theirs*
  - e. *Frauds*
2. *Under-shepherds are part of the flock who, loving the Shepherd and His sheep, follow the model of the True, Good Shepherd*



3. *Sheepdogs - those who sense the danger of wolves and become protectors of the sheep*

D. *The good shepherd, the door*

1. *God's true way to Himself*
2. *Loves the sheep and looks for them*
3. *Calls the sheep and they follow Him*
4. *Protects, provides and leads the sheep*
5. *Lays down His life for the sheep*
6. *Gives the sheep eternal life*

## II. **THE FLOCK OF GOD AND THE GOOD SHEPHERD**

A. *Sheep*

1. *God's view of most people - Gullible, selfish, unaware, fearful, anxious, defenseless, fruitful, useful; but not all belong to Him; many follow other shepherds or wander without one*
2. *In particular, it is those people who respond to God positively*

B. *Goats - those who seek their own way and respond to God negatively*

C. *The flock of God*

1. *Respond to the voice of the Shepherd*
2. *Follow the Shepherd*
3. *Includes more than Israel*

D. *The good Shepherd gives His sheep life*

1. *By His life He gives them life*
2. *By His providential care He gives them life*
3. *By His resurrection He gives them abundance*