

Sermon: Jesus Christ, the Self-Denying and Successful Shepherd  
Scripture: John 10:1-30

Introduction: Review – Jesus Christ, the Promised and Best Shepherd  
Today – a seeming contradiction  
– a definite fact  
The life of Christ  
The life of a Christian (Mt. 16:24,25; Phil. 2:5; James 4:6,10; I Peter 5:6,7)

- I. As their Shepherd, Christ is described as saving His sheep (vs. 8-10).
- II. He accomplishes the salvation of His sheep through His death (vs. 11,15,17,18).
  - A. Christ's death is a death like no other.
  - B. His death is only for His sheep.
    1. Those who are given to Him by the Father (vs. 16,29; Eph. 2:1-5,8,9)
    2. These are the only ones for whom Christ died (vs. 3,4,11,15,26; Is. 53:5,6,10,11; Acts 20:28; Rev. 5:9).
- III. He is perfectly successful as the Shepherd of His sheep (vs. 9,28,29).
- IV. Additional Application