

Gospel of John
[A Daring Claim (Part 1) (John 10:22-31)]

I. The Occasion of the Daring Claim (vs. 22, 23)

II. The Occurrence of the Daring Claim (vs. 24-30)

-Jesus' miraculous works bear witness to His Messianic identity (v. 25).

-Jesus' hearers don't believe because they are not of Christ's sheep (v. 26). Christ's sheep believe in their Shepherd (v. 26); follow their Shepherd (v. 27); are known by their Shepherd (v. 27); receive eternal life from their Shepherd (v. 28); are protected and preserved by their Shepherd (vs. 28, 29).

-Jesus and the Father are one (v. 30): in essence, nature, and purpose.

III. The Outcome of the Daring Claim (vs. 31-42)

Practical Lessons

- 1) The blessings of God's people are precious beyond comprehension.
- 2) The blessings of God's people belong only to those who persevere in holiness and good works.
- 3) The blessings of God's people are freely given to all who respond to the voice of the Shepherd in faith and obedience.