

- Introduction:**
1. In John 10 Jesus warns against the danger of strangers...
  2. He teaches the importance of being a sheep...
  3. He speaks of Himself as the “Good Shepherd” a theme, which should have been very familiar to the people of Israel... see *Genesis 48:15 cf. Psalm 23:1 with Psalm 80:1-2*

**Consider** in preparation for the Lord’s Supper two great things, which Jesus identifies about Himself—“The Good Shepherd...”

***I. He Knows His Own Sheep, vs. 14***

***A. He knows our every need and weakness...***

***B. We are prone to wander...***

***C. Sinners who are saved by grace own and confess their shortcomings...***

Observation:

***D. This knowledge of His for us is comforting but not always pleasurable...***

Lesson:

***II. He Lays Down His Own Life for the Sheep, vs. 15***

***A. He Actually died for us...***

***B. It was a Voluntary and Sacrificial death...***

Application: