## John 10 • The Shepherd and His Sheep

- (v.1-5) Not everyone is a "sheep" who recognizes and responds to Christ the True Shepherd. This is proven by whether or not they will come out from under a false shepherd, responding to the voice—the Word—of Christ.
- 2. (v.6-10) **Christ** is the single and sole point of **entry**.
- 3. (v.11-15) Christ is the only true source of protection.
- 4. (v.16-21) Christ is the True Shepherd who <u>dies</u> for the sheep. Through His <u>Word</u> He calls them, and those who <u>believe</u> step through the Door, leaving their old <u>fold</u> to become part of the true, united <u>flock</u> of Christ, the <u>Church</u>.
- 5. (v.22-30) Even in the presence of an unprecedented <u>miracle</u> never before witnessed, it will not change the person who <u>refuses</u> to <u>listen</u> to the Word and put it into <u>practice</u>.
- 6. (v.31-39) Those actively opposed to the <u>message</u> will always attempt to kill the <u>messenger</u>.
- 7. (v.40-42) Those who accept the greater accompanying message will in turn accept the Messenger.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>41</sup>So they removed the stone. Then Jesus raised His eyes, and said, "Father, I thank You that You have heard Me. <sup>42</sup>I knew that You always hear Me; but because of the people standing around I said it, so that they may believe that You sent Me." <sup>43</sup>When He had said these things, He cried out with a loud voice, "Lazarus, come forth." <sup>44</sup>The man who had died came forth, bound hand and foot with wrappings, and his face was wrapped around with a cloth. Jesus said to them, "Unbind him, and let him go." (John 11:41–44)

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup>"An evil and adulterous generation seeks after a sign; and a sign will not be given it, except the sign of Jonah." And He left them and went away. (Matthew 16:4)