

Bible Study Title:
“The Real Shepherd: Who’s Really Got Your Back?”
(John 10:11–16, KJV)

Scripture Focus:

“I am the good shepherd: the good shepherd giveth his life for the sheep.” — *John 10:11 (KJV)*

Real-World Breakdown

- **Jesus says, “I am the good shepherd.” (John 10:11)**
 - In today’s world, that’s like saying “*I’m the one who truly cares for you—no fake love, no mixed motives.*”
- **“The good shepherd giveth his life for the sheep.”**
 - True leaders sacrifice for others.
 - Jesus didn’t protect His image—He gave His life to protect *yours*.
- **“The hireling fleeth.” (John 10:13)**
 - A *hireling* is someone who’s only there for a paycheck — not because they care.
 - Think of people who stick around only when it benefits them—friends who vanish when drama hits.
 - Jesus doesn’t run when life gets messy. He stays and fights for you.
- **“The wolf catcheth them, and scattereth the sheep.”**
 - The “wolf” can be pressure, bullying, loneliness, or bad influence trying to break your peace and pull you apart from what’s right.
 - Jesus keeps you *together* when everything else tries to tear you

apart.

- **“I know my sheep, and am known of mine.” (John 10:14)**
 - He doesn’t just know your name—He knows your *heart*.
 - Real relationship with Jesus means you recognize His voice in a noisy world.
- **“Other sheep I have, which are not of this fold.” (John 10:16)**
 - Jesus includes everybody—different schools, cities, countries, even those who don’t “fit in” yet.
 - His love reaches *beyond your circle*.

Think About It

- Who do you run to when you’re hurting—temporary help or the true Shepherd?
 - What voices compete with Jesus’ voice in your life?
 - Are you following Jesus because of who He is or because of what He gives?
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Encouragement

Jesus isn’t a part-time protector—He’s the one who stands in front when danger comes. You don’t have to prove yourself to be loved. The *Good Shepherd* already laid down His life to prove you matter.

Key Takeaway:

When the fake ones flee, the real Shepherd stays.

Jesus doesn’t just *guide* you—He *gave Himself* for you.