

John 9:35–38 (NLT) ³⁵ When Jesus heard what had happened, he found the man and asked, “**Do you believe in the Son of Man?**” ³⁶ The man answered, “Who is he, sir? I want to believe in him.” ³⁷ “**You have seen him,**” Jesus said, “**and he is speaking to you!**” ³⁸ “Yes, Lord, I believe!” the man said. **And he worshiped Jesus.**

John 9:39–41 (NLT) ³⁹ Then Jesus told him, “**I entered this world to render judgment—to give sight to the blind and to show those who think they see that they are blind.**” ⁴⁰ Some Pharisees who were standing nearby heard him and asked, “Are you saying we’re blind?” ⁴¹ “**If you were blind, you wouldn’t be guilty,**” Jesus replied. “**But you remain guilty because you claim you can see.**”

John 10:1–5 (NLT) “**I tell you the truth, anyone who sneaks over the wall of a sheepfold, rather than going through the gate, must surely be a thief and a robber! 2 But the one who enters through the gate is the shepherd of the sheep. 3 The gatekeeper opens the gate for him, and the sheep recognize his voice and come to him. He calls his own sheep by name and leads them out. 4 After he has gathered his own flock, he walks ahead of them, and they follow him because they know his voice. 5 They won’t follow a stranger; they will run from him because they don’t know his voice.**”

Jesus contrasts their lies and deceptiveness, their intent to harm, with the loving, caring, protectiveness of the divine nature of God’s love.

John 10:7–9 (NLT) . . . “**I tell you the truth, I am the gate** for the sheep. ⁸ All who came before me were thieves and robbers. But the true sheep did not listen to them. ⁹ **Yes, I am the gate. Those who come in through me will be saved.** They will come and go freely and will find good pastures.”

John 14:6 (NLT) Jesus told him, “**I am the way, the truth, and the life. No one can come to the Father except through me.**”

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John 10:9 (NKJV) ⁹ I am the door. If anyone enters by Me, he will be saved, and will go in and out and find pasture.

Psalms 23:1–6 (NKJV) ¹ The Lord *is* my shepherd; I shall not want. ² He makes me to lie down in green pastures; He leads me beside the still waters. ³ He restores my soul; He leads me in the paths of righteousness For His name's sake. ⁴ Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil; For You *are* with me; Your rod and Your staff, they comfort me. ⁵ You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies; You anoint my head with oil; My cup runs over.

⁶ Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me All the days of my life; And I will dwell in the house of the Lord Forever.

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John 8:44 (NLT) ⁴⁴ For you are the children of your father the devil, and you love to do the evil things he does. He was a murderer from the beginning. He has always hated the truth, because there is no truth in him. When he lies, it is consistent with his character; for he is a liar and the father of lies.

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Romans 8:5–6 (NLT) ⁵ Those who are dominated by the sinful nature think about sinful things, but those who are controlled by the Holy Spirit think about things that please the Spirit. ⁶ So letting your sinful nature control your mind leads to death. But letting the Spirit control your mind leads to life and peace.

John 14:27 (NKJV) Peace I leave with you, My peace I give to you; not as the world gives do I give to you. Let not your heart be troubled, neither let it be afraid.