I Am the Good Shepherd
March 15, 2026
Questions for Study and Group Discussion
*** Before you begin, please read John 10:11-21 as a group.*

1. Icebreaker: "A picture is worth a thousand words." What is one picture / image that communicates a lot to you? Why?

2. In His "I Am" statements in John, Jesus uses word pictures to share more about His identity. How do these word pictures help you get to know Jesus better?

3. Briefly review the "I Am" statements we've already covered in this series. In a sentence or two, summarize what each picture adds to your understanding of Jesus.
   ● John 6:35
   ● John 8:12
   ● John 10:9

4. What do you learn about Jesus as the Good Shepherd in John 10:11? What is this verse referring to, and why is this important?

5. Now look at John 10:14-15. What does this add to your understanding of Jesus as our Good Shepherd? Why is this important?

6. Read Ezekiel 34:1-6, addressing Old Testament spiritual leaders. How do these shepherds in Ezekiel 34 fail in their role? How do these failed shepherds contrast with Jesus as the Good Shepherd?

7. Now read Ezekiel 34:11-24. How do we see this passage pointing forward to Jesus? (Think especially about what you learn about Jesus as the Good Shepherd in John 10. Feel free to include other truths about Jesus from the Gospels that bear on the question.)

8. In what areas of life do you need to rely on Jesus as your Good Shepherd to lead you and care for you? Practically speaking, how can you rely on Jesus and follow Him this week?

9. What other questions or comments do you have about what you've looked at in the Bible today?

10. What was your biggest take-away from the message? Why?

11. **Challenge:** Memorize John 10:11: "I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep."