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John 10:1-18

Good Shepherds

PARADIGM – "shepherd" as a leader among God's people

- David – 1 Sam 5:2, Ps 78:70-72
- Judges – Jer 23:1, Ezek 34:25, 1 Chron 17:6
- Messiah – Isa 40:11, Micah 5:4, Matt 2:6
- Apostles – John 21:15-17
- Elders – 1 Pet 5:2-4

ACTIONS

1) **Seek – v. 2**

2) **Summon – v. 3**

3) **Separate – v. 4**

4) **Lead – v. 5**

5) **Save – v. 9**

6) **Secure – v. 9**

7) **Satisfy – v. 10**

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ATTITUDES

1) **Sacrificially – v. 11-13**

2) **Personally – v. 14-15**

3) **Impartially – v. 16**

4) **Worshipfully – v. 17-18**

Praxis

1. Identify the various individuals that you have opportunity to shepherd… Which of the 7 actions most convicted you about the way you lead these? Which of the 4 attitudes?
2. Identify the various individuals who presently shepherd you in some way… How might you better fulfill Heb 13:17 in regard to these?
3. How might you go about assisting the Elders of the church in their shepherding duties?
4. Thought Question: Consider the prohibition of shepherds “domineering / lording it over” their flock in 1 Pet 5:3… What might this look like? What kind of appropriate shepherding might often get them accused of this in our culture?