

The Foundation of Eternal Security John 10:22-31

John 10 reports the final public dialogs with the Jews and the reason for the rising tension over Jesus claims that He is God. In the midst of this tension Jesus goes into great detail - before His enemies - what it means to be one of His sheep. This is one of the most important passages declaring the everlasting love of God toward redeemed sinners and the eternal security of the believer. Jesus describes it in many ways, but we find that it's foundation is in the essence of the Godhead itself.

Context

- I. The moment - tension at the Feast of Dedication, v22-25

- II. What does it mean to be "sheep." V26-29
 1. The sheep believe because they are His sheep, v26

 2. The sheep hear the shepherds voice, v27a

 3. The sheep are known, v27b

 4. The sheep follow the shepherd, v27c

 5. The sheep are given eternal life, v28a

 6. The sheep will not be taken out of the Shepherd's hand, v28-29

- III. The Foundation of the security of the sheep, v30

- IV. The response of the Jews, v31

Words to look for

Turning point in Jesus ministry

Feast of Dedication

He is God

Bees

Works of Jesus

Believe

Voice

Sheep

Known

Follow

Shepherd

Given

NEVER

Snatch out of my hand

Hand

Perseverance

I and My Father are One

They picked up stones

Essence of God