

Sermon: Shepherds, Sheep, and Loving Christ  
Scripture: John 21:15-17

Introduction: Palm Sunday – Christ’s Triumphal Entry  
The Shepherd/King—Sheep Connection  
Context

- I. A painful profession of love
- II. A proof of the presence of love (John 15:5; 14:15)
- III. Christ’s Church -- The Shepherd/sheep/love connection
  - A. Jesus Christ is the Chief Shepherd/King (Matt. 2:6; 6:34; 21:5; Psalm 23; I Peter 5:4).
  - B. Jesus has those who are undershepherds, designated as shepherds under Him (I Peter 5:2; Acts 20:28; Numbers 27:15-18; I Tim. 3:1,15; 5:17; Heb. 1:7,17).
  - C. Jesus has those who are His sheep (Acts 20:28).
  - D. Love and shepherding (I Cor. 13:1-3; II Cor. 5:14)
  - E. Love and being sheep (Heb. 13:7,17)
  - F. Who is your shepherd/king?