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**WEEK 24 – JESUS IS THE GOOD SHEPHERD (John 10:10-18, pp. 187-193)**

In John chapter 10, Jesus describes Himself as the Good Shepherd.

What does a shepherd do for his sheep? \_\_\_\_\_

Why does Jesus use the image of a Shepherd to describe Himself? \_\_\_\_\_

How and from what does Jesus defend and protect His sheep? \_\_\_\_\_

How does Jesus guide and direct His sheep? \_\_\_\_\_

In addition to describing Himself as the Good Shepherd, Jesus also describes the “Hired Hand.” **Who is Jesus speaking about and what does He say about them?** \_\_\_\_\_

*Jesus says, “No one takes [My life] from Me, but I lay it down of My own accord. I have authority to lay It down and I have authority to take it up again.” (John 10:18)*

**Why is this authority such an important point in Jesus’ role as the Good Shepherd?** \_\_\_\_\_

The image of the Good Shepherd has had an enduring effect on the Christian Church. It is present in many hymns and works of art and is affirmed by a great number of passages in the Bible.

*What do the following passage and hymns add to the image of Christ as the Shepherd of His Sheep?*

**Psalm 23** \_\_\_\_\_

**Ezekiel 34:11-16** \_\_\_\_\_

**LSB 740 – “I am Jesus’ Little Lamb”** \_\_\_\_\_

**LSB 735 – “Have No Fear, Little Flock”** \_\_\_\_\_

**LSB 711 – “Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us”** \_\_\_\_\_

**LSB 709 – “The King of Love, My Shepherd Is”** \_\_\_\_\_

**How has the image of Christ as the Good Shepherd been a comfort to you in your life as a Christian?** \_\_\_\_\_

**For Next Time:**

**WEEK 25 – PETER’S GREAT CONFESSIO**N (Matthew 16:13-20, pp. 195-201)