MEKANE HIWOT SUNDAY SCHOOL THE GOOD SHEPHERD

John 10:1-21

John 10

1"I tell you the truth, the man who does not enter the sheep pen by the gate, but climbs in by some other way, is a thief and a robber. ²The man who enters by the gate is the shepherd of his sheep. ³The watchman opens the gate for him, and the sheep listen to his voice. He calls his own sheep by name and leads them out. 4When he has brought out all his own, he goes on ahead of them, and his sheep follow him because they know his voice. ⁵But they will never follow a stranger; in fact, they will run away from him because they do not recognize a stranger's voice." ⁶Jesus used this figure of speech, but they did not understand what he was telling them.

⁷Therefore Jesus said again, "I tell you the truth, I am the gate for the sheep. ⁸All who ever came before me were thieves and robbers, but the sheep did not listen to them. ⁹I am the gate; whoever enters through me will be saved. He will come in and go out, and find pasture. ¹⁰The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy; I have come that they may have life, and have it to the full.

¹¹"I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd lays down his life for

the sheep. ¹²The hired hand is not the shepherd who owns the sheep. So when he sees the wolf coming, he abandons the sheep and runs away. Then the wolf attacks the flock and scatters it. ¹³The man runs away because he is a hired hand and cares nothing for the sheep.

¹⁴"I am the good shepherd; I know my sheep and my sheep know me-¹⁵just as the Father knows me and I know the Father—and I lay down my life for the sheep. ¹⁶I have other sheep that are not of this sheep pen. I must bring them also. They too will listen to my voice, and there shall be one flock and one shepherd. ¹⁷The reason my Father loves me is that I lay down my life—only to take it up again. ¹⁸No one takes it from me, but I lay it down of my own accord. I have authority to lay it down and authority to take it up again. This command I received from my Father."

¹⁹At these words the Jews were again divided. ²⁰Many of them said, "He is demon-possessed and raving mad. Why listen to him?"

²¹But others said, "These are not the sayings of a man possessed by a demon. Can a demon open the eyes of the blind?"

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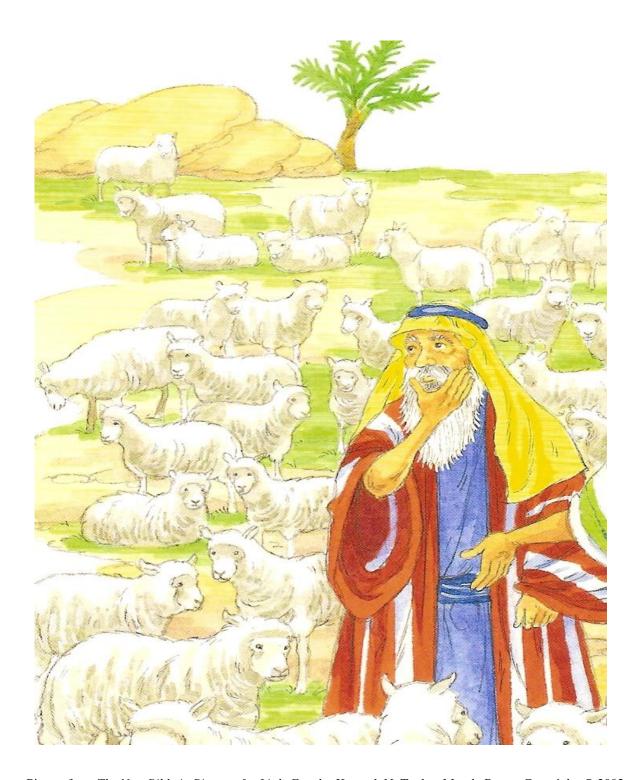
Possible Points	MY Points	QUESTIONS		
5		1.)	Who is "the good shepherd"?	
5		2.)	What did the good shepherd do for his sheep?	
5		3.)	Why does Jesus call himself the "gate"?	
5	0		Why do you think Jesus calls us the sheep and himself the shepherd?	

Possible	MY	MEMORY VERSE
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		"I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd lays
10		down his life for the sheep."
		John 10:11

Possible	MY	Home Connection	PARENT/GUARDIAN
POINTS	POINTS		SIGNATURE
5		I have read, or been read, the passage of scripture for this week.	
5		I have answered the questions aloud to an adult at home this week.	
10		I have recited the memory verse out loud to an adult at home this week.	

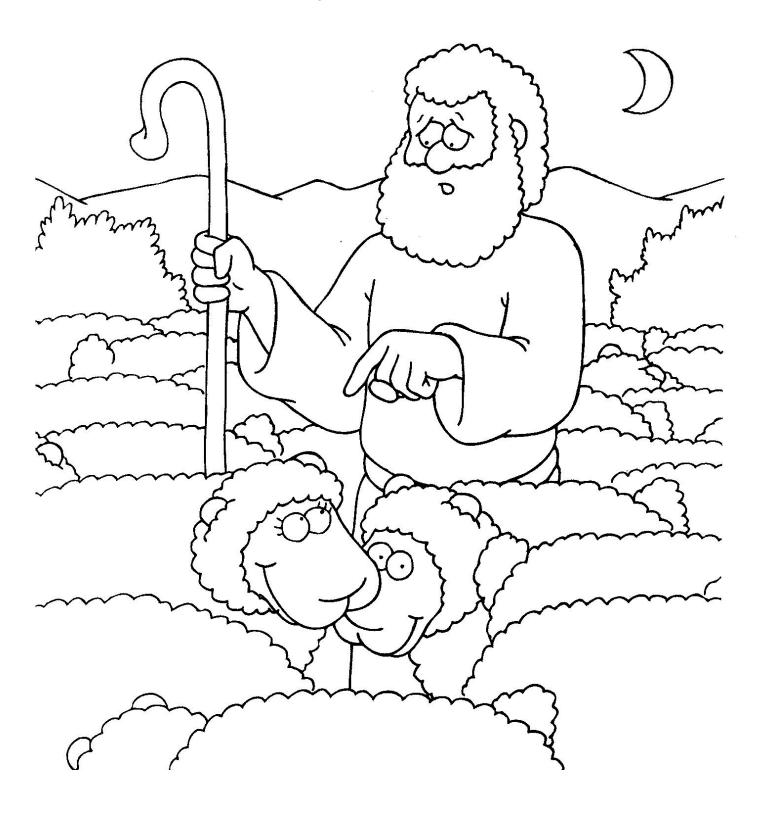
TOTAL POINTS	CLUB CONNECTION					
	LEADER'S SIGNATURE DATE/					

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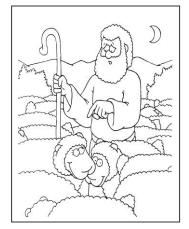


Jesus takes care of us like a shepherd takes care of his sheep

THE BIBLE TIMES HERALD

A SPECIAL REPORT ON JOHN 10:1-21

THE GOOD SHEPHERD



Jesus taught the crowd about shepherds. He said a shepherd loves and cares for his sheep. The sheep know the shepherd's

voice and they follow him. The shepherd knows each of the sheep by name. The sheep do not follow a stranger because they do not recognize the stranger's voice.

Then Jesus compared himself to a shepherd and his followers to sheep. Jesus said, "I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep. I know my sheep and my sheep know me. I lay down my life for the sheep".

The Jewish people who were listening to Jesus did not understand what Jesus was saying. Many of them thought Jesus was crazy or demon-possessed.

For more details, please read John 10:1-21 in the Bible.

QUESTIONS

- 1. Who is "the good shepherd"?
- 2. What did the good shepherd do for his sheep?
- 3. Why do you think Jesus compares himself to a shepherd?
- 4. Why do you think Jesus compares Christians to sheep?

MEMORY VERSE

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

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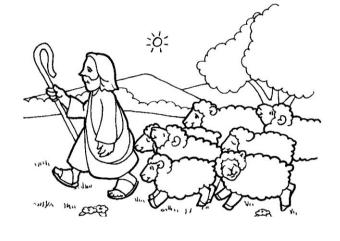
Ideas For Home:

Today your child learned that Jesus is like a shepherd who takes care of his sheep.

- 1. Have your child finish coloring this book.
- 2. Help your child learn the *Memory Verse*.
- 3. Practice the *Bible Story Rhyme*.
- 4. Read and discuss the bible story with your child.
- 5. Explain that Jesus loves us all like a shepherd loves his sheep. He died to take away our sin.

Bible Story Mini Book

The Good Shepherd



John 10:1-21

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Just like a shepherd takes care of his sheep, Jesus takes care of us.

People always asked Jesus to tell them who He was.

Memory Verse

"I am the good shepherd..."

John 10:11

Bible Story Rhyme

The Lord is our shepherd, (Pretend to hold a shepherd's staff)

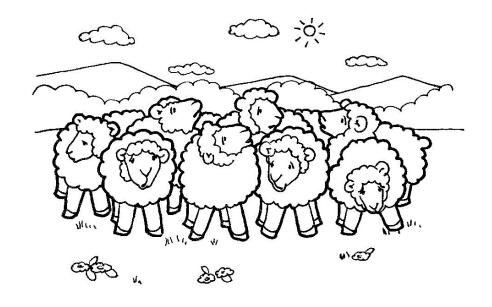
He takes care of his sheep.

(Pet your hand)

He died for our sins, (Cover each eye with a your fingers)

So our souls he could keep.

(Make one big fist with both hands and bring to your heart)



He told them that they are like sheep who need a shepherd.

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PRESCHOOL BIBLE STORY RHYME



The Lord is our shepherd,

(Pretend to hold a shepherd's staff)

He takes care of his sheep.

(Pet your hand)

He died for our sins,

(Cover each eye with a your fingers)

So our souls he could keep.

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