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Shepherding with a difference!

Recap:

‘Shepherd’ metaphor:

Ezekiel 34:11-16, “I will tend them”, “I will bring them to good pasture”, “I will shepherd my sheep with justice”.

1. The Owner:

John 10:1-5

2. The Gate:

if the sheep enter through him then he will “save” them.

John 14:6, “I am the way, the truth and the life: no one comes to the Father except through me”

John 10:10 ... overflowing, abundant life.

3. The Good Shepherd

A mixed response

For us today

1. Listen to his voice ... flee from the stranger

Listen to Jesus alone.

“But the voice of truth tells me a different story, the voice of truth says do not be afraid, the voice of truth says this is for my glory... Out of all the voices calling out to me, I will choose to listen and believe the voice of truth.”

2. He knows you by name

3. He laid down his life for you

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4. Be a godly shepherd

5. Abundant life

How do you envisage abundant life?