

The Good Shepherd as a type of Christ

Orlando Bible Students Special Study

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General Reference:

John 10:11-14, 16, 27, Psalm 23/ Reprint 2441, 4157

Our Lord States it plainly In John 10:11 that he is the good shepherd. So with that said, a shepherd and the qualities of a shepherd are typical representatives of the Grand Shepherd – Christ

I. Considering the typical Shepherd and applying Spiritual application

1- What is the chief responsibility of a shepherd and what are the important duties of a shepherd? Give typical examples and apply them spiritually. / John 10:1 & 11 comments, Luke 2:8 and comments, John 21:16, I Samuel 17:34-35

2- In the time of Christ, the Shepherd was the owner of the sheep or the owner's son. Often a hired hand that shared in the increase of the flock tended the sheep such as in the case of Jacob tending Laban's sheep (Genesis Chp.24, Chp.30). According to scripture, who are these appointed under shepherds? How was their responsibility different from the Chief Shepherd? John 21:15-17, John 10:12-13, 1Peter 5:2-4 (see comments verse 2)

3- So if the appointed shepherds fulfill their duty to the flock, which they have been assigned by the Chief Shepherd, what is their reward? Genesis Ch. 30, 1Peter 5:4, Luke 19:16-17, John 10:14, Micah 4:8, Romans 2:7

II. The Sheep from the typical standpoint and from spiritual application.

4- What does the Shepherd expect from the sheep? John 10:3-5 (see also comments verse 3: "His own sheep")
Ephesian 4:3-5, Luke 15:1-7, John 10:27, Reprint 2441

5- From a biblical standpoint, who are represented by the sheep (In Jesus day, our day and in the Millennial Kingdom)?
Matthew 10:6, Matthew 15:24, Matthew 16:24 (see comments verse 24), Matthew 18:12

6- How did Jesus become the Good Shepherd? Hebrews 5:8, Hebrews 10:20, John 10: 11, Romans 8:17