

**Sermon Application/Discussion Questions – 10/15/2017**  
**Sunday Message: John 10:7-18**  
**Sure Things: Our Good Shepherd**

1. Sheep are among the least intelligent of all creatures, prone to wander and endanger themselves. They are also helpless and defenseless, and if they were to be released in the wild without a shepherd, they would not survive. Jesus compares his true followers to sheep. What comes to mind when you hear Jesus' assessment of you in this way?
2. A shepherd's primary role is to know the sheep; always watching over them and caring for their safety and welfare. Jesus is the Good Shepherd and he knows everything about you and loves you like none other. He chose you, saved you, and calls you his own. How does this truth personally speak to you and bring hope to what you're currently experiencing and going through in life?
3. Jesus is the Good Shepherd who fights for you, opposing those who would cause you harm, even to the point of laying down his own life. Knowing this, how do you understand the term "abundant life" that Jesus references in 10:10? Even though as Christians we still experience the effects of sin and brokenness in this world, what do you find comforting in these words?