

Series: John's Portrait of Jesus

Scripture: John 10:1-21 (see also Psalm 23; 1 Peter 5:1-4)

Title: **I am the Good Shepherd**: Good and Bad Leaders and how to know the difference

In our day, as in the time of Jesus, leaders often don't lead. John 9 (the treatment of the man born blind) gives an example of how so-called 'religious leaders' completely failed the test. In response, Jesus leads off (ch.10) with a discourse about shepherds, drawing a sharp contrast between the failed Jewish leaders and himself, 'the Good Shepherd'.

I. Failed leaders (false shepherds), then and now.

II. The Flock (those who are led), then and now.

III. The True Leader (The Good Shepherd).

IV. Faithful Leaders (true shepherds), then and now.