

A photograph of a stone wall with a doorway, set against a backdrop of rolling hills under a blue sky. The wall is constructed from dark, irregular stones. The hills in the background are covered in dry, brownish grass. The sky is a clear, bright blue with some light clouds.

# I AM the Door of the Sheep

**JOHN 10:1-10**

# I AM the DOOR of the Sheep

- While this parable is given at the same time and is like “The Good Shepherd” it is a *different* account.
  - Jesus states “I AM the DOOR of the Sheep” (vss. 7, 9)
  - Later He teaches “I am the Good Shepherd”. (vss. 11, 14)
- The imagery of sheep and shepherds is frequently employed in the Scriptures.
- There are similar words and themes
- But different lessons are being taught.



# The Context of this Passage

## John 9

- The Healing of the Blind Man  
vss. 1-7
- The Pharisees Opposition  
vss. 13-28
- The Testimony of the Healed Man  
– vss. 11, 17, 25, 27, 30
- The Obstinance of the Pharisees –  
vss. 15-17, 22, 24, 28, 30-33
- John 10 continues this account  
that Jesus states... (10:1; “Verily,  
verily”)



Door  
(Jesus)

Gate  
Keeper



Sheepfold

Thief and  
Robber



Shepherd  
and Sheep

# The Door Provides...

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- Access – “If anyone enters by Me...” – John 14:6;
- Shelter – “he will be saved,”
- Blessing – “go in and out and find pasture”
- Security – vss. 28, 29



# A Striking Contrast

<b>Those who came before Christ</b>	<b>The shepherds of Christ</b>
Does not enter the sheepfold by the door (John 9:28)	He enters by the door (John 10:2)
Is a stranger (thieves and robbers) (9:22)	He is the shepherd of the sheep (10:2)
Comes up some other way (Romans 10:1-4)	The door keeper opens (10:3)
The sheep did not hear him (John 9:24-29)	He calls them by name (10:4)
They do not know him (John 9:30-34)	The sheep hear this voice (10:4)
They will flee from him (John 9:35-38)	They follow him (10:4)



# Why is Jesus the Door of the Sheep?

- We went astray  
Isaiah 53:1-10
- He Paid to Redeem Us  
Hebrews 10:19-22
- We are His sheep  
(John 10:11,12)
- He was placed over the sheep (Matt 28:18)  
1 Peter 5:1-4

# I AM the Door of the Sheep

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