

Questions on John chapter 10

1. In this allegory, who or what is represented by the following: the fold, the door, the sheep, and the shepherd? Verses 1-2.

2. Can you tell us who is represented by the porter, and then describe what happens when the porter opens the door for the shepherd? Verses 3-4.

3. Who do you think is represented by the strangers, and why will the sheep not follow them? Verses 5-6.

4. To those who did not understand his allegory, whom did Jesus identify as the door, and who do you think the thieves and robbers would be, and why? Verses 7-8.

5. Why did the thief come and why did Jesus come? Verses 9-10.

6. What is the difference in a hireling and a true shepherd? Verses 11-12.

7. Why does the hireling flee, and what sort of relationship exists between the good shepherd and his sheep? Verses 13-15.

8. Who are the “other sheep” and what are the implications of the fact that when the sheep hear the Good Shepherd’s voice, there shall be one fold (flock, American Standard Version), and one shepherd? Verse 16.

9. What was the original commission or commandment Jesus received from the Father? When Jesus died was it because he allowed it? Verses 17-18.

10. What two arguments were used by those who defended Jesus against the charge that he had a devil (demon, American Standard Version)? Verses 19-21.

11. Why do you think Jesus walked “in the temple in Solomon’s porch”? Verses 22-23.

12. Why did Jesus’ questioners ask him to tell them “plainly” if he were the Christ? Verse 24.

13. How had Jesus already proved his claims to be the Christ? And what would have been their expectations if he had claimed to be the Messiah they looked for? Verse 25.

14. What evidence of their unbelief did Jesus see? Verse 26.

15. To whom does the Lord make the promise of eternal life, never perishing, and inability of anyone to snatch them out of the Father's hand? Verses 27-28.

16. Although this verse gives great assurance to those who do God's will, does it mean that it is impossible for one to stray from the fold and abandon God? Verse 29.

17. Does this verse teach that the Father is the Son and the Son is the Father, and that they are one in person? Verse 30.

18. To what incident does the word "again" refer? Verse 31.

19. Why did the Jews say they were going to stone Jesus and what were the ground for their charge? Verses 32-33.

20. Where is the phrase, "I said, 'Ye are gods,'" found in the Law? Verse 34.

21. What is the argument from this verse that Jesus used on his adversaries that stopped their mouths? Verses 35-36.

22. If the Jews would simply believe the works as being miraculous, what would be the next step inevitably? Verses 37-38.

23. Why didn't the Jews stone Jesus? Do we know where Jesus went when he went forth out of their hand? Verses 39-40.

24. What caused the people to think of John and what were his credentials as a prophet? Verses 41-42.