

#07 – Prayer Series

Fourth Sunday of Easter – 25th April 2021

Gospel of John 10: 11-18

Jesus said: “I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd gives his life for his sheep. The person that is hired and paid to look after the sheep is not the same as the shepherd. The sheep do not know that person. If that person sees a wolf coming, that person runs away; the wolf attacks the sheep and the sheep try to escape. The person running away is not a real shepherd; that person does not really care about the sheep.

I am the good shepherd. I know my sheep, and they know me. In the same way, my Father knows me, and I know my Father. I will die so that I can give my life for the sheep. There are other sheep that are not in this flock. I must bring them too. They will listen to my voice, then there will only be one flock and one shepherd.

The Father loves me because I will die to give life. I will give my life so that I can have life again. No one can take away my life. I give my own life. And I am also able to have my life again. This is the command that my Father gave me.”

The gospel of the Lord.

Prayer:

O Lord Jesus Christ, good Shepherd of the sheep, you came to seek the lost and gather them to your fold. Have compassion on those who have wandered from you. Feed those who hunger, make the weary lie down in your pastures, bind up those who are broken in heart, and strengthen those who are weak, that rely on your care, find comfort in your love, and remain your guidance to our lives' end for your name's sake. Amen.

