

ALIVE IN ME

"I am the Door"

April 25, 2021

Text: John 10:1-10

Part 3 of "Alive In Me"

Review:

Galatians 2:20

I am the Bread of Life

I am the Light of the World

I. Background of John 10, Feast of Dedication

A. Sheepfolds and Shepherds

B. Ezekiel 34

C. False _____

D. False _____

E. John 10:1-6

Jesus is the door of _____

II. Giving us eternal _____

A. He has purchased our _____

B. He has made us his _____

III. Giving us _____

A. He is our _____ to God's Kingdom

B. He gives _____

ACTIVITY & DISCUSSION FOR FAMILIES

Choose a door in your home that you walk through regularly to be a special reminder this week for everyone that Jesus is the Door of Life. Maybe you can put a cross there as a special reminder. As you use the door, remember that you are saved and also ask Jesus to lead and guide you in that moment.

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

This week's text is John 10:1-10. For more context, read all of John 10.

Dig Deeper: Grab a good study Bible that has notes, a concordance, or a cross-reference system and study ideas, words, and themes from this sermon.

Take a moment to look back on your week! Have a couple people share: what are some highs, lows, and/or buffalos? (Highs=highpoints, Lows=low points, Buffalos=interesting)

What part of the sermon jumped out at you this week?

What interested you or surprised you?

What was confusing or you would like to learn more?

OPTIONAL: The 7 "I AM" statements of Jesus are found in the Gospel of John. Read through the entire gospel of John over this spring. Let the Lord use the entire letter to speak to you about the person and work of Jesus and the way Jesus brings us eternal life.

Hopefully you have had some time to listen and study a bit of the background regarding shepherding and sheep in 1st century culture. Discuss it together. Why is understanding the culture and things like sheepfolds and thieves and

robbers important for understanding, interpreting, and applying these passages to our lives?

How do the sheep know to follow the shepherd? (John 10:3-5)

List out all the functions and purposes of doors and gates that you can think of:

What thieves or robbers...people, thoughts, or situations... are attempting to steal, kill, or destroy your life these days? Are there any strangers' voices that you need to ignore, in order to hear the Spirit of Jesus more clearly?

Whom might you share these truths and your hope in Jesus with this week? Ask the Lord to give you an opportunity.

Heavenly Father, thank you that you have provided a way for us in Jesus, who is our door...door to eternal life and salvation. Forgive us, Jesus, for ignoring your voice, for not trusting your leading and your ways. Help us be a people who find great security in you and who follow you to the pastures of eternal and abundant life. Holy Spirit, fill us, that we might show others who are blind and in darkness the way to the Door, so that they might experience the joy of life in you as well, Amen.