

New Testament Church  
*The Book of John #20 – John 10:22-42 – Shepherd and King*  
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I The Gospel of John - Why expository preaching and why the Book of John at this time?

- A. Expository preaching brings depth, continuity and helps a congregation study together
  - 1. John reveals Christ as God – (eagle) - “behold your God” (Is. 40:9)
  - 2. The gospels reveal the “four faces” of Christ – king, servant, man, eagle
- B. John, author of John, 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> John and Revelation was a disciple of John the Baptist
  - 1. One of the sons of Zebedee (Salome his mother), a fisherman with Simon & Andrew
  - 2. ***John began as a critic but learned the balance of truth, grace and love...***
- C. One of the themes in John are the various **signs** that indicate critical aspects of Christ
  - 1. The **first SIGN** was water into wine (John 2) – there is New Life in Christ
  - 2. The **second SIGN** was healing the Nobleman’s son (John 4) – faith in Christ’s Word
  - 3. The **third SIGN** was healing the cripple (John 5) – Christ’s undeserving Grace
  - 4. The **fourth SIGN** feeding the 5,000 (John 6) – Christ is the bread of life
  - 5. The **fifth SIGN** of walking on water (John 6) – Transcendence of Bread (empowerment)
  - 6. The **sixth SIGN** of healing the man born blind (John 9) – Spiritual Sight (through Christ)
- D. The **I AM** statements by Jesus – declaring who He is...
  - 1. In John 6 - **I am the Bread of Life**
  - 2. In John 8 - **I am the Light of the World**
  - 3. In John 10 – **I am the Door** and **I am the Good Shepherd**

II John 10:22-42 – Shepherd and King

- A. v. 22-30 – The Jewish leaders surround Jesus, demanding statements to be held up in court
  - 1. Jesus clearly declared His right to be the *only* door and the *standard* for all good shepherds
  - 2. The Jewish leaders knew they were now perceived as neither sheep *nor* shepherds
    - a. It is imperative to understand that we are sheep first before any of us are shepherds
    - b. Leaders are the first fruit offerings of the people, for they are to initiate cleansing
    - c. Feeding (mouths, tongues, hooves), environment (rubbing), other sheep, and shepherds
  - 3. Jewish leaders demanded *evidence* or they would not believe (seeing is believing)
    - a. This is in opposition to presuppositions – we must believe that He is (Heb. 11:2)
    - b. Since God is the primary premise, demanding evidence is being “god over God”
    - c. Confirming evidence will follow, but first we must honor God!
  - 4. They rejected Jesus’ words and works, and thus were “not of my sheep” (v. 26)
  - 5. True sheep listen to Christ, follow Him, and dwell securely by faith in His Word (v. 27-29)  
(The sheep are kept securely in Christ’s Hand as well as the Father’s!)
  - 6. “*I and my Father are one*” – they are two persons, yet are one!
- B. v. 31-42 – Jesus is our Shepherd – and King – indicating His rule in God’s Kingdom!
  - 1. The Jewish leaders now pick up stones to stone him again – violence to settle the dispute!
  - 2. They accepted the miracles, but not the person of Christ – we determine “god” not You!
  - 3. Psalm 82:6 – Jesus quotes this Psalm when He says to the Jewish leaders in John 10:34-36
    - a. *Is it not written in your law, I said, ye are gods?* – speaking of a civil ruler (divine justice)
    - b. He will hold human judges accountable (works), but His Son’s works confirm He is God!
    - c. Jesus is both Shepherd *and* King – Lord of lords, King of kings – a mark of His Kingdom!
  - 4. Many will embrace the fruit but may not receive the seed (person) that produced it
    - a. It is important to see v. 38 – *if you believe not me, believe the works...*
    - b. *That you might know, and believe, that the Father is in me, and I in him.*
  - 5. Though they attempted to take him, he escaped, went beyond Jordan, where John baptized
  - 6. Many people went to him, and they believed on Him there – *the sheep multiplied!*