



JOHN CHAPTER 10 (FACILITATOR)

Discussion Starter

- Are you a person who likes to have many options or just a few options? Why?
- **Opening Prayer**
 - Ask if someone wants to volunteer before leading the prayer.

Tell the Story

- **PLEASE MAKE SURE THAT YOU HAVE ONE PERSON WHO STORIES (SUMMARIZES THE CHAPTER) BEFORE THE GROUP READS THE CHAPTER TOGETHER.**

Read the Story (John 10:1-42)

Read out loud as a group, 3-5 verses per person. Let everyone know they can opt out if they would like.

Breaking it Down

- All questions should be utilized as appropriate based upon group dynamics to facilitate both understanding and discussion. Don't feel tied to the questions and don't feel like you must get through every question. Follow the Spirit's lead! All questions are a matter of perspective in some way BUT there are specific questions that this is truer of, and these questions have been indicated to be perspective/opinion questions.

John 10:1-18

- What do you think the differences are between viewing Jesus as one of many options in how you choose to live versus viewing Jesus as the only option in how you choose to live?
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 - God's plan certainly revolved around Jesus going to the cross and in order for Jesus to fully surrender to His Father, He had to go to the cross, but it is important to realize that going to the cross was a choice for Jesus. Giving up His life was a choice for Him. He says by His own words that no one took His life from Him. While the results of the cross were beautiful to Jesus, He didn't want to go to the cross. All these things are important to remember and live because following Jesus for us is a decision and Jesus has left us an example of how we are to sacrificially love like He did.

John 10:19-42

- Notice what Jesus says in verse 25 in response to the people asking Him to tell them plainly whether He was the Christ. Consider the following things that Jesus said prior to this.
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Final Application

- What does this passage teach us about God?
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