

Jesus the True Hanukkah **For the week of March 3 – 9**

Big Questions for the week: When are we suspicious of expertise? In those cases, should we be? Why are we? How might we need to let Jesus be the expert on our lives?

Day 1: John 10:1 – 21

Three questions to ponder:

- What other passages come to mind when we hear of sheep and shepherd?
- What emotions & feelings do you associate with them?
- What about Jesus' shepherd words are so divisive?

Day 2: John 10:22 – 42

Three questions to ponder:

- What makes knowing Jesus' voice so vital?
- Why do we struggle today with listening to the Shepherd's voice?
- What might help us listen more clearly?

Day 3: Ezekiel 34:1 – 16 or Jeremiah 23:1 – 8

Three questions to ponder:

- What echoes of Ezekiel do you hear in Jesus' words?
- Why are leaders held to such high account?
- How might you strengthen and uphold the good earthly shepherds in your life?

Day 4: Psalm 82

Three questions to ponder:

- Jesus is referencing this psalm in John 10:35, why?
- Who is God revealed to be in this psalm?
- Who is the psalmist saying God will 'take to task'?

Day 5: Matthew 7:15 – 23

Two questions to ponder:

- What similar themes reside in these verses?
- What sobering word does Jesus give to false prophets AND to followers?

Prayer: That we trust the 'expertise' of Lord and Master Jesus.