

What did Jesus say?

Jn 10: 7, 9-10, 14-16 (NISV)

7 *Very truly I tell you I am the gate for the sheep.*

9 *I am the gate: whoever enters through me will be saved. They will come in and go out and find pasture.*

10 *The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy I have come that may have life and have it to the full.*

11 *I am the good shepherd I know my sheep and my sheep know me –*

15 *just as the Father knows me and I know the Father and I lay down my life for my sheep.*

16 *I have other sheep that are not of this sheep pen. I must bring them also. They too will listen to my voice and there will be one flock and one shepherd.*

Gospel discussion:

- How does a shepherd look after their sheep? Why does Jesus use this example?
- Jesus used examples that made sense to people of his time. If Jesus was talking today what modern examples might He use to describe God's love for us?
- There are ways we can use this teaching of Jesus in our own lives. Name some of the ways we can look after our friends, our parents and carers, our family?
- Find three other stories from the Gospels which Jesus uses to show God's love for us?
- Choose one of those stories: create and perform a role play of the story in a modern-day setting.
- How can these examples of love be shown to people like Harriet and Sr Mary in Uganda?
- Focus on V15: What is Jesus saying to you in this verse? What are the possibilities you can see where you can apply your understanding of this verse in your life?
- Focus on v 16: What is the implication of this verse for you? Your school? Our Church? For Harriet and Sr Mary in Uganda?

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