## Hope for Sheep... John 10

Focus: urging us to share Christ as there is no other way to come to the Father

## **Helpful Resources:**

http://
www.thevillagechurch.net/
sermon/is-jesus-the-only-way/

http://
www.capitolhillbaptist.org/
sermon/class-3-is-jesus-theonly-way-to-god-thenecessity-of-conscious-faithin-christ/

## 2016 Annual Priority:

To establish a greater devotion to believing and being shaped by the three great loves embedded in our mission statement's goal of becoming a mature and ministering worshiper of God; love for God, love for the church, and love of neighbor.

## **Discussion:**

- Read John 10.1-18 aloud. Make a list comparing and contrasting Jesus as the gate and the good shepherd with the strangers and hired hands.
- OPTION: read John 9 and discuss what prompts Jesus to launch into this teaching and who he has foremost in his mind when he thinks of the "wall climbers".
- In verses 7-10, what is the significance of Jesus claiming to be the gate?
- In verses 11-15, what is the significance of Jesus claiming to be the good shepherd?
- how do these claims affect how we think about salvation apart from faith in Christ, e.g. in other religions?
- How ought the exclusivity of Christ in salvation affect how we do missions? How should it encourage you to share Christ with others?
- Brainstorm ideas that can help your spiritual conversations with unbelievers focus on Christ and not get side-tracked by other matters?
- Spend time in prayer for people know who are of other faiths and need to know Christ as Savior.

