

KIDTOWN GUIDE

3K - 4K

DATE: 7/26/20

SCRIPTURE: Luke 12

LESSON: *The Good Shepherd*



INTRO

Parents say to your kid(s) - Today we will be talking about what a shepherd does. Do you know what they do? That's right, they care for sheep! Let's learn about how Jesus is our Good Shepherd.

Care for animals - Set out a variety of toy animals, blocks, washcloths, paper shreds, and play dishes for children to play out caring for pets. Kids may build fences or barns for the animals with blocks, "bathe" them with washcloths, and "feed" them with paper shreds on dishes. Talk about how to care for animals well while children play.

Parents say - Wow, look at how well you cared for your animals. A shepherd is someone who takes care of sheep. He makes sure they have food and water, and he keeps them safe and clean. In our Bible story today, Jesus said He is the Good Shepherd. Listen to the story to find out who is Jesus' sheep.



LESSON - THE GOOD SHEPHERD

Watch the Bible story video: [The Good Shepherd](#)

Story Point! (Kids repeat!)

Jesus is a Good Shepherd! (Kids repeat!)

God's people are like sheep. When sheep hear the shepherd's voice, they follow him. In the same way, Jesus gives us the Holy Spirit to lead us and we follow Him. We are Jesus' sheep when we trust, follow and obey Him! Jesus knows all of us by name and knows how to protect us, just like a shepherd protects his sheep from bad wolves!

Christ Connection! (Kids Repeat!)

Jesus is the way to true life! Kids Repeat!

Jesus said that He is the gate for the sheep. They come in through Jesus and are saved. Jesus paid the price for our sin on the cross, and He made a way for us to have extraordinary life! Life with Jesus is the only, true good life. Jesus gives us life forever, and no one can ever take us out of His hands!

RESPONSE



Sing: [Good Good Father](#)
[By His Wounds](#)

Discuss:

- Who is the Good Shepherd? (Jesus)
- Who are Jesus' sheep? *Those who trust in Him*
- *What do sheep do when they hear the shepherd's voice? (Follow him)*
- *What did Jesus come to give His people? (Extraordinary life forever with Him!)*

If you have any questions you are really stumped on, feel free to email us at hdisbrow@midtowncolumbia.com.

Pray - Thank you for being our Good Shepherd. We can always trust your voice. Help us to learn how to follow you no matter what!

BONUS ACTIVITIES



Coloring Sheet - [Printable Coloring Sheet](#)

Listen Carefully - Choose a child to be the thief and close his eyes. The rest of the children are sheep and will crawl on their hands and knees. Explain that you are the shepherd. When the thief says "sheep," all the children should bleat and move away from the thief. The thief will try to tag the sheep by following the sounds they make. If a child is tagged, you will call that child by name and lead him into the "pen" (a corner) until the next round.

Parents say - Jesus told a story: "If a person climbs into a sheep pen, he is not the shepherd; he is a thief," Jesus said. "When the sheep hear the shepherd's voice, they follow him. If the sheep hear a stranger's voice, they run away." Jesus is the Good Shepherd. Those who trust in Jesus are His sheep. They listen to Him, follow Him, and obey Him.

