

The thief comes only to steal kill and destroy; I have come that they may have life, and have it to the full.

John 10:10

Thief: Comes to steal, kill and destroy

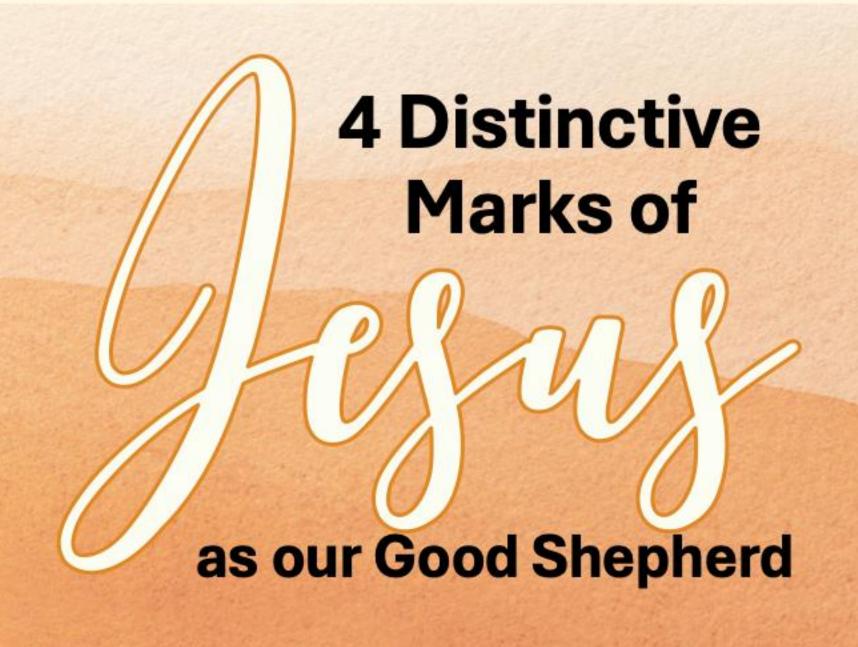
Jesus: Came so that the people may have life to the full.

11 "I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep. 12 The hired hand is not the shepherd and does not own the sheep. So when he sees the wolf coming, he abandons the sheep and runs away. Then the wolf attacks the flock and scatters it. 13 The man runs away because he is a hired hand and cares nothing for the sheep.

John 10:11-18

14 "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 the 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 shall be one flock and one shepherd. ¹⁷ The reason my Father loves me is that I lay down my life—only to take it up again. 18 No one takes it from me, but I lay it down of my own accord. I have authority to lay it down and authority to take it up again. This command I received from my Father."

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He values them.

He loves them so much that He willingly lays down His life for them.

He didn't just talk about love; He showed it by dying for them.

Greater love has no one than this that he lay down his life for his friends.

John 15:13

2. He Protects and Cares For His Sheep (vv.12-13)

- He is their Shepherd, and He owns them.
- He will never leave nor abandon them.
- He will make sure they are safe and well-fed.
- He will do everything in His power to protect His sheep, even to the point of death.

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- He calls them by name and leads them out (v.3)
- They know Him and His voice, and they follow Him (v.4)
- He knows everything about them.

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He will come as the **Glorious Shepherd** to separate the sheep from the goats (Mt 25:31-32).

He will say to those who has no intimate and eternal relationship with Him, "I never knew you, depart from Me, you workers of iniquity" (Matt. 7:21-23).

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He is declared as the **Great Shepherd** of the sheep (Heb.13:20), one flock made up of Jews and Gentiles, one united church.

The Lord is My Shepherd	That's Relationship!
I shall not want	That's Supply / Provision!
He makes me to lie down in green pastures	That's Rest!
He leads me beside the still waters	That's Refreshment!

He restores my soul	That's Healing!
He leads me in the paths of righteousness	That's Guidance!
Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death	That's Testing!
I will fear no evil	That's Protection!

For You are with me	That's Faithfulness!
Your rod and Your staff, they comfort me	That's Discipline!
You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies	That's Hope!
You anoint my head with oil	That's Consecration!

My cup runs over	That's Abundance!
Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life	That's Blessing!
And I will dwell in the house of the Lord	That's Security!
Forever	That's Eternity!

The Love of our Good Shepherd is Sacrificial.

The Heart of our Good Shepherd is **Compassionate**.

The Faithfulness of our Good Shepherd is Constant and Unchanging.

The Effect of our Good Shepherd is Transformational.

Come to Jesus the Good Shepherd today.

He laid down His life for you so that you might have life eternal.

You are not left alone to fend for yourself in this world.

Come to Jesus the Good Shepherd today.

He loves you, cares for you, provides for you, guides you, protects you, and watches over you at all times.

Come and follow Him today.