



GROUP STUDY GUIDE

WEEK OF APRIL 6, 2025 | I AM THE GATE

WARM-UP QUESTION

Who is someone you trust, and why do you trust them?

PRAY

Before you read Scripture, spend a few minutes in prayer. Pray for your group and for your discussion. You can also pray for our church using the prompt below.

Easter (April 19-20)

Pray for the Difference Makers who will serve Easter weekend and that they would serve with joy. Pray that God would nudge people to serve on Easter to create a welcoming space for all guests.

DISCUSS

Start your discussion by sharing what stood out to you from Sunday's message. Were there any new insights or key takeaways for you?

Read John 9:35–10:10

- What are the two different conversations Jesus has in this passage? Who is involved in each? What do you think the purpose of each conversation is?
- What is interesting about the question the Pharisees ask in John 9:40? What do you think their tone is toward Jesus here?
- In John 10:1-10, Jesus uses a lot of imagery in His teaching. Paint this picture – what are the different animals, people, and things He names? What do you think the purpose of each is? Why are they necessary in the message that Jesus is communicating?
- What is the relationship between the sheep and the shepherd? What does that tell you about what Jesus thinks about the relationship between us and Him?
- A healthy way to read Scripture is to get curious! Get curious about John 10:8. Who do you think Jesus is talking about when He says, "all who came before me"?
- What does culture say leads to a rich and satisfying life? Is that the same or different to what Jesus is saying here?
- What role does trust play in a rich and satisfying life? What would need to change about your life for you to fully trust Jesus? How would fully trusting Jesus change your spiritual and mental health?



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TAKE ACTION

When Jesus is our shepherd, He leads us to a rich and abundant life. Before He can be our shepherd, we need to trust and surrender to Him. Take a moment and reflect on the following questions:

- In what circumstance or situation do you need to trust Jesus more fully this week?
- What do you need to surrender to Him in order to allow Him to lead you?

Spend a few minutes in prayer as a group, asking the Holy Spirit to reveal your next step of obedience. Then, craft your “I will” statement—a simple, actionable step you will take this week. Share your statements with one another and encourage each other to follow through.