

The Prophetic Imagination

Wolves

SERMON SUMMARY

Ezekiel 34 blasts selfish shepherds who scatter the flock for gain, while John 10 reveals Jesus as the Good Shepherd who dies to save His sheep. Bad leaders fleece us; Jesus calls us home."

KEY VERSES

Ezekiel 34:23-24

SERMON NOTES LINK

<https://bible.com/events/49410457>



DISCUSSION GUIDE

1. Have you ever been led by a really good leader? Tell the group about that experience, past or present.
2. Read Ezekiel 34:1-10. Here God is blasting the leaders of Israel for not caring for the people. Have you been let down by "shepherds" like these? What did that look like?
3. In Matthew 7:15-20 Jesus gives us a way to evaluate leaders. How can we put His words into practice?
4. The bad shepherds in Ezekiel 34 seem to have given in to temptations of selfishness, comfort and power. How do you think leaders can protect themselves from these pitfalls?
5. Read Ezekiel 34:11-16 and verse 23-24. Then read John 10:11-18. Jesus points to himself as the Good Shepherd. How have you seen or experienced Jesus to be the Good Shepherd?
6. Read John 10:1-5. With so many voices shouting for your attention (culture, fear, doubt), how do you recognize Jesus' "voice"? What has his voice sounded like in your life lately?

PRAYER EXERCISE

Thank God that Jesus is your Good Shepherd. Where do you need Him to be a good shepherd in your life right now? Ask Him to be your Good Shepherd in that situation.