

The Door of the Sheep

John 10:1-10

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There are eight occasions in John's gospel where Jesus used the Divine name, "I _____", in making claims for _____. This is one of those times and the illustration is _____ linked to the next study on the good Shepherd, yet it is distinctly _____. What is the significance of the _____?

A. Explore the Background

1. The door in the O.T. _____ (Exodus 26:36-37)
 - a. Hangings of _____ formed the door
 - b. Made of _____ linen – blue, purple, and scarlet
 - c. Representing Jesus as:
 - (1). The Son of _____
 - (2). The Son of _____
 - (3). The _____ between God and man
 - d. Five _____ held up the hangings
 - (1). Made of shittim wood _____ with gold
 - (2). Signifying the human and divine _____ of Christ
 - e. The door was the way into:
 - (1). Acceptable _____ (golden altar of incense in front)
 - (2). Continual _____ (the ever-burning lamp)
 - (3). Abiding _____ with God (table of shewbread)
 - (4). _____ to God
 - (5). The quiet and calm of God's _____ and safety
 - (6). The place of _____ to the LORD
2. Jesus giving _____ to the man born blind (John 9)
 - a. The people brought the man to the _____, who:
 - (1). Claimed full and final _____ to interpret life.
 - (2). Examined and _____ him.
 - (3). _____ him.

(4). By their action, cut him _____ from relationship

b. Jesus _____ him.

- (1). The man expressed genuine _____ and worshipped.
- (2). Jesus opened the door into a _____ order of life.

B. The Subject Being Illustrated – The _____ of the Sheep

1. Mid-eastern _____
 - a. An enclosure with four walls, no roof, _____ entrance
 - b. No traditional door with _____ or locks
 - c. Place of _____ for the sheep
2. Porter (door _____)
 - a. _____ the sheep at night
 - b. Perhaps represented the Holy _____
3. Shepherd had a _____ relationship with the sheep
 - a. _____ – knows them by name and seeks their individual good
 - b. _____ them
 - (1). By _____ as well as instruction
 - (2). Takes them to _____ pastures
 - (3). The sheep _____ His voice and follow him.
 - c. _____ them from all thieves
 - (1). _____ teachers who will try anything except go through the door
 - (2). Have a _____ of godliness, but deny the power of God
 - d. Jesus gives _____, and that abundantly!
 - (1). He illustrated the institution of a _____ order in contrast to the old.
 - (2). He is the _____ authority!