



Riverstone
BAPTIST CHURCH

Sermon Based Questions

Date- Sunday 23rd January 2022

Series- I am saying: The Gate

I am the Gate!

Therefore Jesus said again, "Very truly I tell you, I am the gate for the sheep. 8 All who have come before me are thieves and robbers, but the sheep have not listened to them. 9 I am the gate; whoever enters through me will be saved. They will come in and go out, and find pasture. John 10:7-9

1. The true shepherd enters by the gate. John 10:1-6.

2. Jesus says, I am the Gate! John 10:7-9.

A. Examining the texts.

1. Read John 10:1-2. What is Jesus saying about true shepherds and their relationship to the gate?
2. Read John 10:3-6. What does Jesus reveal about the shepherd and his relationship to the sheep in these verses?
3. Read John 10:7-9. What does Jesus say about himself and how does it relate to salvation?
4. Read John 10:10. Why does the thief come to do to the sheep and what does the gate come for?

B. Meditation & application

5. How is this passage about authentic spiritual leadership and what does it say about the nature of that leadership?
6. Who do you think the robber represents in this bit of Jesus teaching? What is his work?
7. Why does Jesus use the “gate metaphor,” and how does it add to our picture of him? How does the metaphor of Jesus being the gate speak to you presently? What is he- the way into?
8. What do you make of Jesus claims to ‘exclusivity’- “being the way to salvation?” What could you say to a friend who said- anyone who believes Jesus is the only way is a bigot?

A Prayer: Heavenly Father- we praise you for your Son the Messiah. We thank you that he is the gate. Help us to listen for his voice and enter into salvation through him. Give us confidence to trust in Jesus and point others toward him. In Jesus Name- Amen.