

## "I AM THE DOOR OF THE SHEEP"

"Most assuredly, I say to you, <u>I am</u> the door of the sheep." (John 10:7b)

Note: When Jesus speaks of the **door** in this passage, He refers to a different type of sheepfold, one used out in the fields, not in the towns. A "field" sheep pen was an enclosure for sheep with only one entrance. It might be a cave, a stone or mud-brick structure, and it might or might not have a roof. In a "field" sheepfold, the shepherd actually laid his body across the entrance, to keep the sheep in and to keep out the wolves. The shepherd was, in fact, the **door**.

| 1. | How would you define a "door"?   |
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| 2. | What dangers would the "door of the sheep" keep out?   |
| 3. | In John 10:9, Jesus repeats that He is the door. What does He say about the one who enters by Him? |
| 4. | What is the significance of our Shepherd also being "the Door of the sheep"?                       |
| 5. | How can this understanding of Jesus change your life?  |