

Family Talk– Protection
God of the Gate – God is a good shepherd – God loves me
I AM – YHWH

READ TOGETHER

John 10:1–30

What do you think Jesus means when He says, *I am the gate for the sheep?* and *I am the good shepherd?*

Count the times He says these phrases. Why do you think He repeats Himself?

LIVE IT

Jesus is our protector, whether He is the gate that keeps things from coming in or the good shepherd who keeps thieves and wild animals away. Jesus knows us by name, and it gets better! He knows each of us personally, He loves us, and we can learn to know His voice.

Can you point to a time when God called your name or spoke to you?

In this passage we read that there are people who doubt and don't believe Jesus is who He says He is. In the midst of a world that doesn't believe, we not only believe, but we listen to His calling on our lives. It's really sad for those who don't believe because they can't hear His voice.

Go forward knowing this as you protect the sheep He has brought into your life and share the gospel with unbelievers. They too can know His voice.

LEAN ON GOD

Dear God,

Thank You for everything You have done for us. Sometimes we forget how fortunate we are and that You are always there watching over us. We are so thankful that we get to know You, and through prayer, we get to have conversations with You. Guide us to better hear Your voice and Your purpose for our lives. Please help us to be good shepherds like Jesus, and share Your word with unbelievers.

In Jesus Name,

Amen.

