

## ***Jesus Our Good Shepherd***

Genesis 29

### **Sermon Discussion Questions**

**April 24, 2022**

1. Who have been some memorable shepherds in your life?

Good or bad, can you share memorable experiences with shepherds that you've had in your life?

2. Are you a shepherd to anyone? If so, can you share experiences of leading others "with knowledge and understanding" as is stated in Jeremiah 3:15?

If you are not a shepherd who leads others, have you ever felt called to do this kind of work?

3. The term "Pastor" and "shepherd" are often synonymous in Scripture. In the New Testament the word ποιμήν (poimēn) is used 18 times including in Ephesians 4:11. It always means either shepherd or pastor. Does it mean anything that Rachel is listed as a "shepherdess" in the Bible (In Hebrew רָעָה , "ra.ah" )? What are your thoughts about this topic?

4. In John 10 Jesus refers to Himself as "the Good Shepherd." Read Jesus's words about being the Good Shepherd in John 10:1-18. What can we learn about the characteristics of a being a better shepherd to others?

What can learn about how we might appreciate the good shepherds that God has placed in our lives?