

Jesus: The Shepherd & the Lamb — READ

Here are a few ways to dig deeper, read more, and learn about Jesus, the Shepherd & the Lamb...

Jesus: The Shepherd and the Lamb includes scriptures throughout the text. Look them up in your Bible and find them. Then, read the verses and chapters around them so you understand more. If you like to follow a reading plan, you can use this one...just choose whether you want to read a lot in one week or spread it out over a month.

Day 1 / Week 1— John 10 & Psalm 23

Day 2 / Week 2— Exodus 11, 12 & 14

Day 3 / Week 3— Luke 22, 23, & 24

Day 4 / Week 4— John 1 & Isaiah 53

Below are some additional scriptures related to the devotional...read them and answer the questions.

KING JESUS

Isaiah 16:5

This verse describes Jesus as a King. How does it say he will rule? How does this show us that Jesus brings justice and mercy together?

THE STAFF

Exodus 4:1-5

In this passage, God turns a shepherd staff into something that reveals his power. Why do you think God used a shepherd's staff for this?

THE LAMB

Revelation 5:1-14

This passage is part of John's vision of heaven. How is Jesus, the Lamb described here? What does it say he has done, and what is he able to do because of what he has done?

SCATTERED SHEEP

Matthew 26:31-35

Before he dies, Jesus tells his disciples that without him, their shepherd, they will scatter like lost sheep. Why would the disciples be lost without Jesus? Why do we all need him as our shepherd?

SINLESS & SPOTLESS

1 Peter 1:18-19

Peter describes Jesus as the "sinless, spotless Lamb of God." Why does it matter that Jesus was perfect?

Jesus: The Shepherd & the Lamb — MAKE

Here are a few creative activities you can do to go along with Jesus: The Shepherd & The Lamb...

COLLECTION

Collect things that remind you of Jesus as the shepherd and the lamb...a piece of wool or cotton, two sticks you can turn into a cross, etc. Put your collection in a clear container and display it.

JUSTICE & MERCY

Create art that depicts justice and mercy together. You can draw a realistic picture, you can use two different colors to represent justice and mercy and bring them together, or you can come up with your own idea. Before you begin, reflect on the way Jesus brings justice and mercy together...

PRAY IN COLOR

Pray in color, doodling as you pray. You might choose to thank Jesus for laying down his life for you on the cross or for protecting and guiding you, or you might just ask him to tell you what he wants you to remember. Use words, symbols, and ideas from the devotion as you pray!

DOOR FRAMES

Decorate doorframes with something red. You might try draping ribbon or fabric, or you can paint or color pieces of paper you can then hang around the door. Just be sure to ask an adult for help or permission so you do not damage the door frames!

SHEPHERD STAFF

Make a shepherd staff out of twisted paper or fabric, clay, or anything else you like. Write your favorite verse from Psalm 23 on a piece of paper and tie it to your staff.

Jesus: The Shepherd & the Lamb — TAKE

Here are a few ways you can keep the conversation and focus going...

LISTEN

Listen to the album **Resurrection Letters** by Andrew Peterson. Notice how images of the lamb, Passover, Communion, and more are woven into the lyrics.

WATCH

Find some video footage of shepherds and sheep and watch it. If possible, find footage from different parts of the world since shepherding is not the same everywhere. Compare what you see with what you read in the Bible about shepherds and sheep, and talk about it with your family, friends, or church group.

AT THE TABLE

Both Passover and Communion are meals designed to help God's people remember. In this tradition, create a meal of memory with your family, friends, or church group. Plan a menu with foods designed to help you remember how Jesus is both the Good Shepherd and the Lamb of God. You might choose specific foods mentioned in the Bible (or things you know people ate in Biblical times), or you might choose familiar foods and shape, cook, or arrange them in a way that helps you remember Jesus. Talk about Jesus as you enjoy your meal!

MARK THE PAGE

Use your Shepherd and Lamb bookmark (or another bookmark) to mark a verse you want to read and memorize. Challenge yourself to keep the bookmark in place until you can remember the verse. Then, move it to a new verse and focus on that one!

The Shepherd & The Lamb Word Search

H	Y	I	L	P	A	S	S	O	V	E	R	O	M	B
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SHEPHERD

LAMB

DEATH

BLOOD

SACRIFICE

LIFE

PASSOVER

JUSTICE

MERCY

MEAL

REMEMBER

EXODUS

CROSS

PROTECT

GUIDE

STAFF

GOOD

JESUS

SHEEP

GOD

MAN

LOVE



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to Jesus*