



# **Jesus**

## **the Shepherd**

## **& the Lamb**





# **Jesus: the Shepherd and the Lamb**

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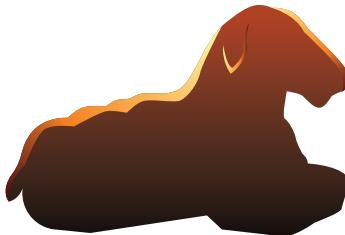


**Have you ever noticed that Jesus  
is described in the Bible as a shepherd  
and as a lamb?**

**In John 1, John the Baptist sees  
Jesus and says this...**

“Look! The Lamb of God who takes  
away the sin of the world!”

John 1:29



**Then, in John 10, Jesus says this...**

“I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd  
sacrifices his life for the sheep.”

John 10:11





**How can Jesus be  
both the shepherd and the lamb?**

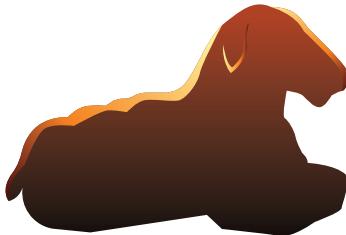
**How can he be the one who  
guides and the one who follows?**

**How can he be the one who cares  
for the sheep and one of the sheep?**

**It might seem impossible,  
but Jesus is both the shepherd and the lamb.**

**To understand how Jesus is like a lamb,  
we need to go to the book of Exodus,  
when the people of Israel  
were slaves in Egypt.**

**God had a plan to help them escape.  
And this plan included a lamb.**



**God began by sending Moses  
to ask Pharoah, King of Egypt,  
to let the people of Israel leave.**

**But Pharoah said no.**

**Since he was the King of Egypt,  
he thought he was in charge.**

**So God sent plagues to Egypt  
to show Pharoah who was really  
in charge.**

**God turned the Nile River to blood.  
God sent frogs, flies, and other critters.  
God sent sicknesses and storms.**



**God even sent darkness...  
middle of the day darkness.  
But Pharoah was stubborn.  
He didn't want to admit  
that God was in charge,  
and he didn't want to let  
the people of Israel leave.**

**So God sent one more plague.  
He sent death.**

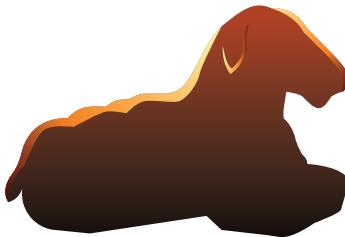
**And this is where the  
lamb comes into the story.**

**God told the people of Israel  
to take a lamb, a perfect lamb,  
and prepare it for dinner.**

**And they were to take the  
blood of the lamb and put it  
around the doors of our houses.**



**The blood of the lamb was going  
to save the people from death.**



“...the blood on your doorposts will serve as a sign,  
marking the houses where you are staying.  
When I see the blood, I will pass over you.  
This plague of death will not touch you  
when I strike the land of Egypt.”

Exodus 12:13

**The lamb died so the people would live.  
His blood saved their lives.**

**And many years later,  
Jesus would be like the lamb.  
He would die so that we could live.  
His blood would save our lives.**