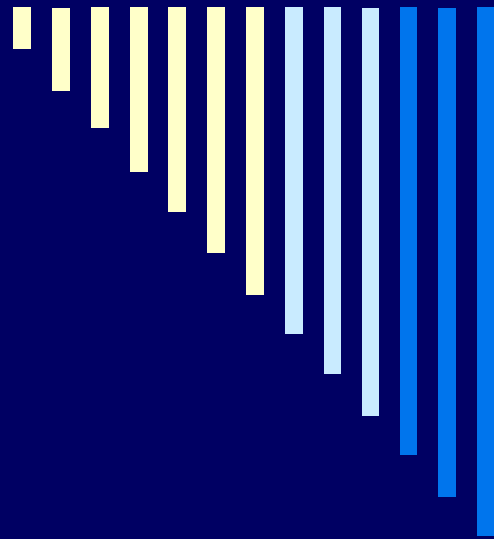


What God Looks For In Shepherds

Ezekiel 34:1-4





What Does God Look
For In Shepherds?

Sheep Feeders!



Identifying Sheep

□ As In Our Search

- “When he went ashore he saw a great crowd, and he had compassion on them, because they were **like sheep without a shepherd**. And he began to teach them many things.” Mark 6:34
 - My sheep hear my voice, and I know them, and they follow me.” John 10:27
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Identifying Sheep

□ As In Our Sinfulness

- “All we like sheep have gone astray; we have turned every one to his own way; and the LORD has laid on him the iniquity of us all.” Isaiah 53:6
 - “For you were straying like sheep, but have now returned to the Shepherd and Overseer of your souls.” 1 Peter 2:25
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Identifying Sheep

□ As In Our Sacrifice

- “As it is written, ‘For your sake we are being killed all the day long; we are regarded as sheep to be slaughtered.’”
Romans 8:36
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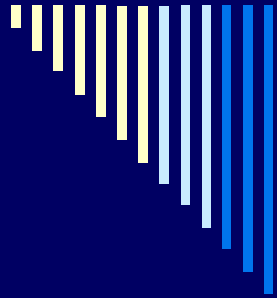
□ Feed Sheep By Focusing On Others v.2

- “And I will give you shepherds after my own heart, who will feed you with knowledge and understanding.”

Jeremiah 3:15

- “Pay careful attention to yourselves and to all the flock, in which the Holy Spirit has made you overseers, to care for the church of God, which he obtained with his own blood.”

Acts 20:28



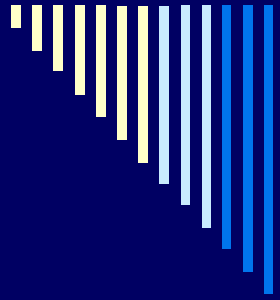
Sheep Feeders:

- Feed Sheep By Focusing On God's Will v.3
 - Personal Service — “Speak to the people of Israel, saying, You shall eat no fat, of ox or sheep or goat.”
Leviticus 7:23
 - Public Service — Shepherds Were To Offer The Fat To The Lord — “And the priest shall burn them on the altar as a food offering with a pleasing aroma. All fat is the LORD's.” Leviticus 3:16
 - In Personal & Public Life – Shepherds Serve As God Directs



Sheep Feeders:

- Feed Sheep By Focusing On Their Role v.4
 - Commit To The Weak
 - Commit To The Sick
 - Commit To The Injured
 - Commit To The Strayed
 - Commit To The Lost
 - Commit To The Leading
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“So I exhort the elders among you . . . Shepherd the flock of God that is among you, exercising oversight, not under compulsion, but willingly, as God would have you; not for shameful gain, but eagerly; not domineering over those in your charge, but being examples to the flock. And when the chief Shepherd appears, you will receive the unfading crown of glory. 1 Peter 5:1-4
