

UPSIDE DOWN

How Jesus Reframes Everything

Gospel of John 10-20

Facilitator's Series Intro

This study will go along with the Summer 2016 Sermon Series. Each week will focus on a chapter from the second half of the Gospel of John and look at how Jesus turns our worlds and the world upside down and reframes everything with His radical truth and grace.

We have included the schedule for the sermon series below. Note that the Upside Down Sermon Series schedule does not follow the chapter order. The Life Group Study Series, however, will be done in chapter order (week 1 chapter 10, week 2 chapter 11, etc.). Each session will be stand alone so you can go through them all or select the ones you want to use based on your group's schedule.

STUDY SCHEDULE

Week	Chapter	Sermon Date
1	John 10	Sunday, June 26
2	John 11	Sunday, June 12
3	John 12	Sunday, July 3 (11:11 only)
4	John 13	Sunday, July 10
5	John 14	Sunday, July 24
6	John 15	Sunday, July 17
7	John 16	Sunday, July 31
8	John 17	Sunday, August 14
9	John 18	Sunday, August 21
10	John 19	Sunday, August 28
11	John 20	Sunday, August 7
12	John 21	Sunday, September 4

SERMON SCHEDULE

Sermon Date	Chapter	Week
Sunday, June 12	John 11	2
Sunday, June 26	John 10	1
Sunday, July 3 (11:11 only)	John 12	3
Sunday, July 10	John 13	4
Sunday, July 17	John 15	6
Sunday, July 24	John 14	5
Sunday, July 31	John 16	7
Sunday, August 7	John 20	11
Sunday, August 14	John 17	8
Sunday, August 21	John 18	9
Sunday, August 28	John 19	10
Sunday, September 4	John 21	12

You can follow the sermon series schedule or chapter order schedule. Note there are 12 studies/sermons in the series. We will have a new Fall study called "I Love My Church" for all groups to begin the week of Sunday, September 11. Make your plans to complete this study by the first week in September. This will mean that you may not be able to cover all 12 chapters as a group. You can give out the study guides for the chapters you miss so that your group members can do those studies on their own.

For this series there will not be separate facilitator guides. We will email you the participant guides in advance so that you can read them over and choose which questions will be best for your group. Each week the study guide will have more flow questions than you can effectively use in one session. Be sure to make the "Look In" and "Live it Out" questions a priority for your group time. You can print copies of the participant guides for your group or make arrangements in advance if you need them printed.

There are no books to purchase or read for the series except the Bible. Your group will get the most out of the series if they spend time reading the chapter from John and reflecting each week and also if they listen to the sermon, take notes and bring the notes to your group time to discuss. If you miss a sermon you can find the podcast or video at <http://purposechurch.com/category/sermons/>
 Note that group members can fully participate in the discussion even if they miss a week's reading or sermon.

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Week 1: John 10

FACILITATOR PREPARATION FOR WEEK 1

- Review Pastor Glenn's June 24, 2016 message—The Good Shepherd
- Read John 10, reflect and select flow questions. As with each week, there is more here than you can use in one session. Look it over and choose which sections or questions will be best for your group. Be sure to make the “Look In” and “Live it Out” questions a priority for your time and emphasis.

LEAN IN

Use one of the following questions, or make up another, to get everyone in your group engaged and sharing:

- Option 1 – As a kid what was your favorite pet? How did this pet respond when it heard your voice?
- Option 2 – What person or group did you and your friends “follow” when you were teens?
- Option 3 – Describe the best leader you ever “followed”

OPEN SHARING FROM READING & SERMON

This week's session is based on John Chapter 10 and Pastor Glenn's June 24, 2016 message “The Good Shepherd”. In this UPSIDE DOWN series we will be studying a chapter from the Gospel of John each week to see how Jesus turned (and turns) the world upside down, reframing every aspect of our lives.

[How many were able to hear the message or do the readings in John 10?](#)

What was one thing from the message or reading John 10 that especially spoke to you?

BIBLE DISCUSSION:

LOOK DOWN Read the passage for its original meaning

LOOK OUT Dig into the passage for its meaning in today's world

LOOK IN Apply the meaning of the passage to our lives

LIVE IT OUT What if we held tightly to the truth of this passage and lived it out completely? How would our lives be different? Our church? Our communities? Our world?

LOOK DOWN

Read John 10:1-18

- ◆ Who do the sheep, shepherd, and stranger represent in these verses?
- ◆ In this UPSIDE DOWN series we are looking at how Jesus Reframes Everything. How is Jesus unlike the “thieves and robbers” in verses 8-10?
- ◆ What does Jesus mean by likening himself to a gate for the sheepfold?
- ◆ How does Jesus identify himself with the good shepherd in verses 11-15?
- ◆ What final claim does Jesus make in verses 17-18?
- ◆ Knowing that scholars believe this took place only three months before the crucifixion, how much do you think His original hearers understood these words? On this side of the crucifixion and resurrection how much deeper of an understanding are we able to have?

