

## **SPIRITUAL TASK—BUILDING OUR FAITH** (John 10)

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**Story** The Lord Jesus Christ speaks to us in John chapter 10 about His love and care for us by using a metaphor: the Good Shepherd. The Good Shepherd cares for His sheep, lays down His life for them, saves them, helps them find pasture, and helps them have life - more abundantly. The Lord is the Good Shepherd.

**Meaning** If we give the Lord some “air time” by reading and reflecting on the stories of His Word we may start to get the message that He really loves us and truly wants us to be happy, and is doing all in His infinite power to lead us, within our the realm of our freewill.

**Task** This week give the Lord a chance to help you build your faith. With faith in the Lord - not just lip service, but trust in the Lord - and innocence (wanting to be changed and led to a better way) we are told we can move mountains (Matthew 21:21). How do you want to live differently? How do you want to really be as a person? Let the Lord be your Shepherd and lead you to a more abundant life—give Him a chance. Open the door of your mind, beginning today, by reading the scripture for the *30 Days* reading program.