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### The Door that Offers Passage to the Sovereign Shepherd v. 1-6, 8

-The Flock was waiting in the Fold for their Promised Shepherd (v. 2-4)  
‘AND YOU, BETHLEHEM, LAND OF JUDAH, ARE BY NO MEANS LEAST AMONG THE LEADERS OF JUDAH; FOR OUT OF YOU SHALL COME FORTH A RULER WHO WILL SHEPHERD MY PEOPLE ISRAEL.’” **-Matthew 2:6** (Micah 5:2)

- Shepherd recognized by the doorkeeper & given access
- Shepherd's voice was recognized as He called His sheep by name
- Shepherd leads out all His own, then goes ahead & they follow

-The Flock's been deceived & plundered by false shepherds (v.1, 5-6,8,10)  
-Ezekiel 34:1-24-God's rebuke of Israel's shepherds & Redemption Plan  
-Pharisees climbed over the wall using self-righteousness & control  
-Pharisees abused the flock for their own benefit & selfish pride  
-Pharisees did not understand the voice of the true shepherd  
-The true sheep did hear & follow the voice of the Pharisees

### The Door that Offers Passage to Secure Salvation

- The Shepherd is the Door
  - The Entrance to the Kingdom of Heaven
  - The Guardian for the True Flock of God
    - Keeping the Predator or Thief Out
    - Keeping the Precious Flock In

<sup>27</sup> My sheep hear My voice, and I know them, and they follow Me; <sup>28</sup> and I give eternal life to them, and they will never perish; and no one will snatch them out of My hand.

**-John 10:27**

### The Door that Offers Passage to Spiritual Sustenance

- The Shepherd is the Sustainer (Psalm 23)
  - The one who enters will go in and out and find pasture
    - Not held captive to be fleeced like with Pharisees (v. 10a)
    - Led in for secure rest, Led out for safe feeding
  - He goes ahead of them and the sheep will follow Him
- The one who gives life in abundance

### Responding to the Shepherd's Voice & following through the Door



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