

The voice of the Good Shepherd - John 10 - Stef Rohler

Icebreaker:

- 1. What are some of your favorite singers or actors who have a unique voice or sound?
- 2. What is your favorite song to sing in the car or shower where no one can hear you?

Summary:

Jesus says he is the good shepherd. His sheep recognized his voice. But why should we trust his voice above all the other voices trying to win us over, how do we learn to hear it, and why should we want to follow it anyway? This may be a bit skewed to a seeker audience, but it's Easter season so we may have some new seekers. It's a good reminder to everyone to listen for his voice above the rest though.

Engage the Bible:

John 10 - Open your Bibles to this chapter of John. Have someone read it out loud. Underline some key words/phrases that stand out to you. Think about the scene, can you imagine yourself there? Who are the main people? How do they respond and how does Jesus react?

Small Group Questions:

- What voices in your life are the voices of thieves and robbers, coming to kill and destroy? Do you recognize them for what they are?
- What are the costs of following some of those voices? What is the cost of following Jesus?
- In what ways or habits do you engage the bible, so that you can learn to recognize the voice of Jesus? Is there something you would like to do to engage it more? (If you have a suggestion or would like more information about how OHC can help you engage the bible, please let us know by contacting Senior Leader Rendi Scholten)
- In what ways is your life made full by listening to and following Jesus? Why do you follow him? What does he offer?
- What makes Jesus unique among all the voices in the world?
- How good are you at listening to Jesus and ignoring other voices? This is a faith JOURNEY. So really the better question is this: are you better than you used to be at this?
- If your group is comfortable, share something you would like prayer about in regard to your discussion. If you are comfortable enough, pray for those right now. If not, write them down and pray for each other this week.