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John 14:6; Matthew 7:13-14; Luke 13:24

# **BIBLE VERSE: JOHN 10:10-11**

"The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy. I came that they may have life and have it abundantly. I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep."

#### **BIG IDEAS**

- The Good Shepherd knows the sheep.
- The Good Shepherd pursues the sheep.
- The Good Shepherd lays down His life for the sheep.

**BIBLE PASSAGE: JOHN 10:11-18** 

## TRANSFORM: LIVING FOR JESUS

In High School, the Transform Year is an exploration of what it looks like to have transformed influence as we seek to live for a Kingdom that is greater than our own. First, we recognize that we will never be transformed if we are not Living for Jesus. To do this, we must first know who Jesus is by looking at who He says He is (John 8:58), and then look at what the Bible says about how in Him, we live by faith (James 1:6). Next, we recognize that to have transformed influence means that we must live as disciples in pursuit of Christ and His Kingdom over ourselves and our own kingdoms.

#### **SERIES AIMS**



#### Every student should know...

- The 8 different "I AM" statements that Jesus uses in the gospel of John.
- We will always be dissatisfied when we search for joy and life apart from Jesus.
- The value and worth of our lives is found in Jesus alone



#### Every student should strive to...

- Read the entire gospel of John.
- Memorize the Bible verse each week.
- Practice sharing the truth about who Jesus is using the 'I Am' statements from Scripture



### Every student should feel...

- Awe that God would make a way for our relationship with Him through Jesus.
- Convicted of the lies that they are tempted to believe about Jesus.
- Responsible to use their influence for Jesus alone.



#### Every student should want to...

- Grow in their understanding of who Jesus is.
- Abide in Christ deeper than they ever have before.
- Be known for how they point people to Jesus with their lives

#### **FAMILY WORKOUT:**

This week we will ponder how to discuss with our son or daughter the truth that Jesus is the Good Shepherd. We will pray with them to grow in their understanding of Jesus' willingness to lay down His life for them and we will lead them to practice daily thanksgiving for His sacrifice.

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Read John 10:11-18 and answer these questions to help you discuss with your son or daughter the meaning of this passage:

- What is the significance of Jesus using shepherd imagery to describe Himself in these verses?
- How is Jesus better than other shepherds? How is this "I AM" statement a statement on the deity of Jesus?
- How does Jesus' goodness reveal that He is indeed God?

#### Read and meditate on John 10:11-18 this week. Use these questions to guide your meditation:

- Consider how you can discuss with your son or daughter the significance of Jesus as the Good Shepherd. How can you help your son or daughter understand that Jesus is fully God?
- How can you model living daily with a thankful heart for Jesus' willingness to lay down His life for you?



Spend time praying with your son or daughter this week.

- As you pray with them, model asking God to give them a heart of thanksgiving for Jesus' sacrifice.
- Pray with your student this week. Ask God to help them live for Him each day and to share with others the truth that He is the Good Shepherd.



Discuss with your son or daughter some ways that you practice daily thanksgiving and praise to Jesus.

- Help your son or daughter brainstorm ways to start each day with praise and thanksgiving so that they remember Jesus' willingness to lay down His life for them.
- Meet with your student to discuss some ways that he or she can share the gospel with their lost friends this week. Brainstorm ways that he or she can use the story of Jesus as the Good Shepherd to tell others about Jesus' willing sacrifice on their behalf.