

John 10:16

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Think about [John 10:16](#).

(Jesus said) "I have other sheep that are not of this fold. I must bring them also, and they will listen to my voice. So there will be one flock, one shepherd."

- Jesus, speaking to the Jews, had just said he was the good shepherd of his sheep. Here he says he has other sheep that are not of this fold. What does he mean?
Consider [Revelation 7:9-10](#). *After this I (John) looked, and behold, a great multitude that no one could number, from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, clothed in white robes, with palm branches in their hands, and crying out with a loud voice, "Salvation belongs to our God who sits on the throne, and to the Lamb!"*
- What did Jesus tell the Jews about his other sheep? (See John 10:16 quoted above.)
Also consider [Acts 28:28](#). (The apostle Paul said to the Jews) "... let it be known to you that this salvation of God has been sent to the Gentiles; they will listen."
- What will be the final state brought about by the good shepherd's work? (See John 10:16 quoted above.)

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Think about [John 3:16](#).

For God so loved the world, that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life.

- How does God feel toward the people in this world?
- What did God make possible when he gave his son?

Think about [John 10:17-18](#).

(Jesus said) "For this reason the Father loves me, because I lay down my life that I may take it up again. No one takes it from me, but I lay it down of my own accord. I have authority to lay it down, and I have authority to take it up again. This charge I have received from my Father."

- What is one reason why God loves Jesus?
 - How did Jesus lose his life?
 - How did Jesus *not* lose his life?
 - What two things did Jesus have the authority (the right and the power) to do?
 - Where did Jesus get this authority?
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[John 10:19-21](#) *There was again a division among the Jews because of these words. Many of them said, "He has a demon, and is insane; why listen to him?" Others said, "These are not the words of one who is oppressed by a demon. Can a demon open the eyes of the blind?"*

- What caused the Jews to be ripped apart from one another?
- What were the different beliefs about Jesus?
- Did Jesus come to bring division to this world?

[Luke 12:51-53](#) *(Jesus said) "Do you think that I have come to give peace on earth? No, I tell you, but rather division. For from now on in one house there will be five divided, three against two and two against three. They will be divided, father against son and son against father, mother against daughter and daughter against mother, mother-in-law against her daughter-in-law and daughter-in-law against mother-in-law."*

- Did Jesus come to bring peace to his sheep?

[John 14:27](#) *(Jesus said to his followers) "Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. Not as the world gives do I give to you. Let not your hearts be troubled, neither let them be afraid."*
