

Study Notes --

How do you view doors? In other words, do you see them as barriers or opportunities? Have you had something in your life that has shaped your view? Or maybe you just haven't given that much thought at all...

What is the practical purpose of doors and gates today?

Thinking back to Sunday's message, what spoke to you, inspired you, encouraged you, challenged you, or confused you?

To whom does Jesus compare to thieves and robbers? Why does He do this?

Do you remember the two types of sheep pens mentioned in the message? If so, share what you remember with your group.

What was the relationship between a shepherd and his flock? How does this compare to Jesus' relationship with us?

What did Jesus mean when He said, "I am the door/gate"?

What did Jesus say was the role of thief?
What did He say He does?

What do you think it means for Jesus to bring life that we have in abundance? How could you explain this to a non-believer?

Read **John 3:16-18**.

Reading these verses, did you notice anything you hadn't noticed before?

Who are those who are condemned and who are those who are not condemned? What is the determining factor for being one or the other?

What would you say that most people in America believe gets a person into heaven? How would you convince them that it is only through faith in Jesus?

GRACE NOTES

Sunday, April 8, 2018

Series: I AM

Message: I Am the Door

Scripture: John 10:1-10

¹ "Truly, truly, I say to you, he who does not enter the sheepfold by the door but climbs in by another way, that man is a thief and a robber. ² But he who enters by the door is the shepherd of the sheep. ³ To him the gatekeeper opens. The sheep hear his voice, and he calls his own sheep by name and leads them out. ⁴ When he has brought out all his own, he goes before them, and the sheep follow him, for they know his voice. ⁵ A stranger they will not follow, but they will flee from him, for they do not know the voice of strangers." ⁶ This figure of speech Jesus used with them, but they did not understand what he was saying to them.

⁷ So Jesus again said to them, "Truly, truly, I say to you, I am the door of the sheep. ⁸ All who came before me are thieves and robbers, but the sheep did not listen to them. ⁹ I am the door. If anyone enters by me, he will be saved and will go in and out and find pasture. ¹⁰ The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy. I came that they may have life and have it abundantly.

Jesus is _____ door, not _____ door.

Jesus said..., "I am the way, and the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me. (John 14:6)

Whoever believes in him is not condemned, but whoever does not believe is condemned already, because he has not believed in the name of the only Son of God. (John 3:18)

