

"I AM – THE GATE" FEBRUARY 22 - 23, 2020 // Tyler Scott, Lead Pastor

INTRODUCTION

This past weekend we heard some incredible stories from people who have accepted Jesus as their Lord and chose to be baptized as an outward expression of their faith. If comfortable, briefly share your story with the group.

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

In a sheep pen, the shepherd functions as a gate, letting the sheep in and protecting them. Today we will look at why Jesus says He is the gate.

1. **READ John 10:7-10**.

a. What is Jesus trying to say?

2. READ John 14:6 and Acts 4:12

- a. Some people resent that Jesus is the only way to God. Why do you think that is true?
- 3. Jesus words show us that the way to God is secure. **READ John 14:1-3**
 - a. What are the promises in these verses?
 - b. Discuss as a group what these promises mean to His followers.

4. JESUS IS THE GATE TO SALVATION

- a. **READ John 3:16-17 and John 20:30-31.** What is the Apostle John trying to so passionately to tell us?
- b. And even when John was a much older man, he wrote 1 John 5:11-12.
- c. Why is this message so important?

5. WALK THROUGH THE GATE

- a. It has been said... "Sin Separates". Would you say this is true? Why?
- b. **Read Romans 3:10-12 and Romans 3:20-26**. Can we free ourselves from sin?
- Read 1 Peter 2:24 and 2 Corinthians 5:21. What did Jesus do for us? What does it mean to you personally? Is there someone in your life that needs to know Jesus?

CHALLENGE

What is your next step in response to this message? Come through the gate of faith in Jesus? Get baptized? Invite a friend to church so they can hear the gospel? If your next step is to say YES to Jesus, let us help you. Visit http://www.cpcdanville.org/yes/.

COMMIT TO MEMORY

I am the gate; whoever enters through me will be saved. They will come in and go out, and find pasture." **John 10:9**

PRAY FOR EACH OTHER

Share prayer requests, and commit to praying for one another until you next meet.