**B** Begin With Prayer **L** Listen With Care **E** Eat Together **S** Serve **S** Share



# Who Is Your Shepherd? Ezekiel 34

### **Sermon Description**

The bible often uses the metaphor of the relationships that sheep have with the shepherd. Do you view yourself as someone following Jesus as the ultimate shepherd?

## **Sermon Points:**

- 1. The announcement of deliverance: <u>removal/rescue</u>
- 2. The nature of deliverance: <u>replacement/rulership</u>
- 3. The goal of deliverance: <u>restoration</u>

**Group Opener:** Even as leaders, we are following someone or something. Do you most often view yourself as a follower or a leader? Why?

## **Discussion Questions:**

- 1. Why does the Bible use the metaphor of sheep to describe people? What are the parallels?
- 2. Who are the shepherds in Ezekiel 34 and why did God remove the shepherds? Who are some of the shepherds that shape our values, priorities, and character qualities? Can you name them?
- 3. Jesus, the Chief Shepherd, appoints elders in the church to lead us as his flock? (see 1 Peter 5:1-4) Give some examples of how you have followed the leadership of the elders our church?
- 4. Pray through Psalm 23. Can you align with the praise "The Lord is my Shepherd."? Is that a consistent truth in your life?

## Memory Verse: John 10:11

