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Sunday 14th April 2013

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- Introduction
- Those who want to see will see (9v35-41)
- Getting into the sheep pen (10v1-6)
- The only way to real and full life (v7-10)

- **The good Shepherd** (v11-18)

- **The insanity of the gospel** (v19-21)

Fellowship Group Questions

- Read John 9v35-41. From these verses, what does it mean to be spiritually blind and to be able to see and what are their characteristics?
- What is the link between chapter 9 and chapter 10? What would be the difference in aim between the thief/robber, the watchman and the Shepherd? What would the natural reaction of the sheep be to each? What are the Pharisees supposed to see from this?
- 'I am the gate' What is the main point Jesus is making in saying this? If Christians are to follow in Jesus footsteps, what does it mean that they have 'life to the full'?
- 'I am the good shepherd'. What is it in particular that makes him 'good'? How does the contrast with the hired hand help us to see this? Work through v14-18 together. What are the marks of the 'laying down his life' that Jesus highlights? What does this help us to see about him?
- Why does Jesus received divided reactions in v19-21? How is this not a failure of his message and purpose.



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