

# KIDS ACTIVITIES

Sunday 3rd May 2020

The Good Shepherd and His Sheep

Hello,

This Sunday we are looking at the story of the Good Shepherd and his sheep.

This pack contains:

- two versions of story
- a craft for you to make
- a spot for you to think
- a chance for you to pray.

At the back you'll find the resources you need and a few extra activities to keep you going.

Please use this activity pack however you like, you can jump through it randomly or work your way through it from start to end. You are welcome to complete this pack before or during church on Sunday. Its completely up to you!

You'll have the opportunity to share what you have made at the end of the zoom sevice on Sunday Morning if you would like to.

From Beth and all the children's team

## READ

Jesus said, “I tell you the truth. The man who does not enter the sheepfold by the door, but climbs in some other way, is a thief and a robber. The one



who enters by the door is the shepherd of the sheep. The man who guards the door opens it for him. And the sheep listen to the voice of the shepherd. He calls his own sheep, using their names, and he leads them out. He brings all of his sheep out. Then he goes ahead of them and leads them. They follow him because they know his voice. But they will never follow a stranger. They will run away from him because they don't know his voice.” Jesus told the people this story, but they did not understand what it meant. Jesus Is the Good Shepherd. So Jesus said again, “I tell you the truth. I am the door for the sheep. All the people who came before me were thieves and robbers. The sheep did not listen to them. I am the door. The person who enters through me will be saved. He will be able to come in and go out and find pasture. A thief comes to steal and kill and destroy. But I came to give life—  
John 10:1-10  
life in all its fullness.

## WATCH

If you would rather watch a retelling of this story follow this link  
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=oemNkZo750o>

# Create



## Materials:

- Printed Sheep pen, Jesus and sheep template (found at the back of this pack)
- Coloured pencils/pens
- Scissors
- Glue

## Directions:

**Step 1-** Print out the template at the back of this pack.

**Step 2-** Cut around outside of template to get rid of excess paper.

**Step 3-** Carefully cut along dotted lines and fold along solid lines.

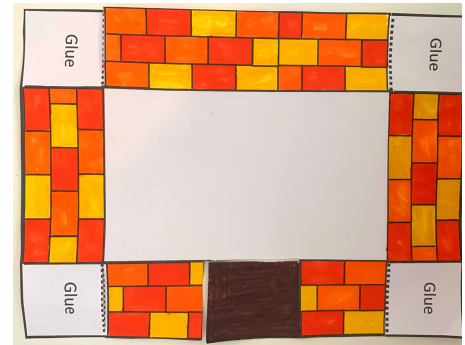
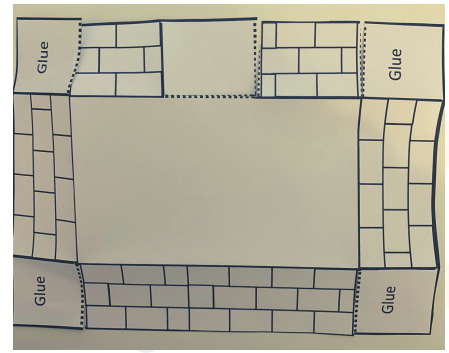
**Step 4-** Colour in walls of the animal pen.

**Step 5-** Put glue on the squares marked 'Glue' and bend them in to stick them onto the inside of the walls.

**Step 6-** Colour in the middle of the pen. Then colour and cut out Jesus and Sheep.

**Step 7-** Stick the sheep in the middle of the pen and glue Jesus to the gate/door of the animal pen.

*I made little stands to make my sheep stand upright by folding bits of paper and sticking them to the sheep*





## Think

Now that you have heard the story see if you can answer these questions.

- Why would Jesus call himself the gate for the sheep?
- What did Jesus mean by thieves and robbers?
- What do you think Jesus meant when he said "I came to give life in all its fullness"?

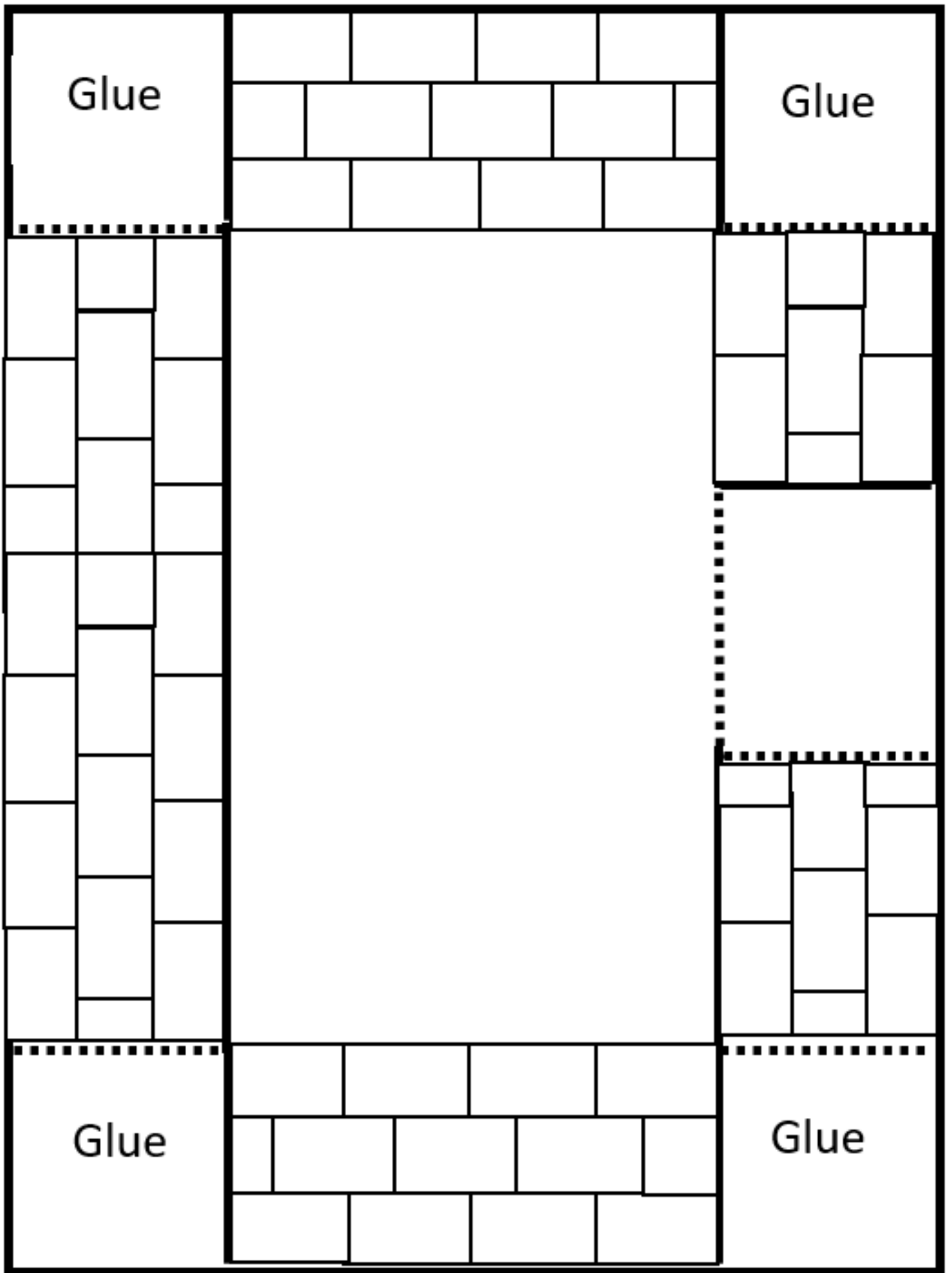
In Jesus' time shepherds would keep their flocks out in small pens in the countryside. The walls of these pens were made of lots of rocks stacked on top of each other. There was a small entrance but no gate.

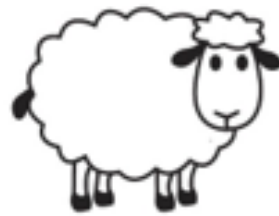
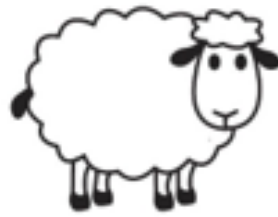
To keep wild animals out and his sheep safe, the shepherd would lay across the opening of the pen.

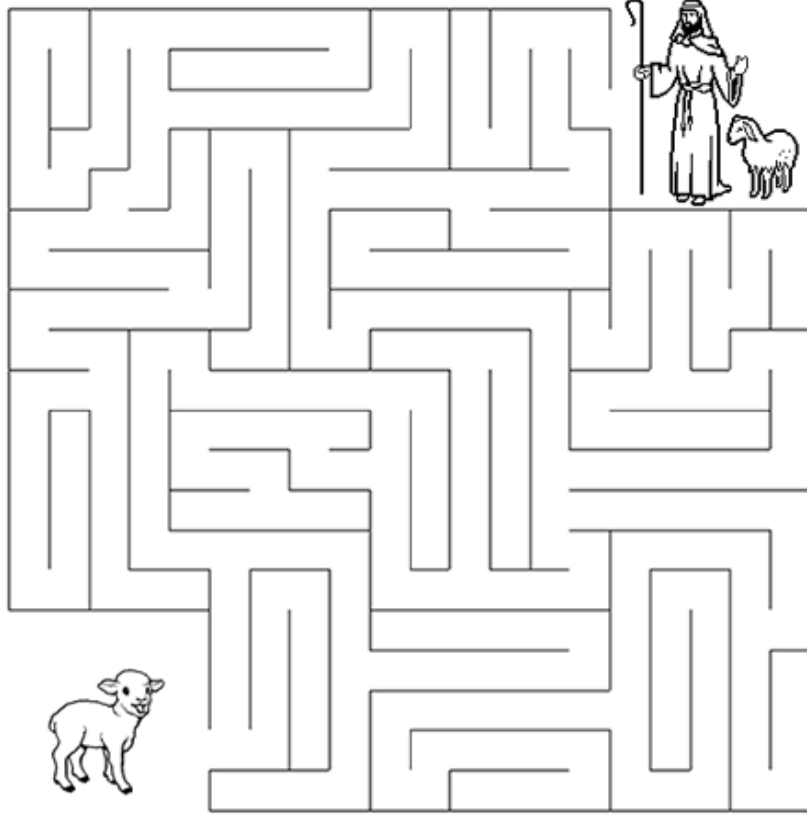
We are very fortunate because for us Jesus is the gate! He keeps us safe and protects us from anything that could hurt us.

## Pray

Dear Jesus, we know that you are the good shepherd. We love you and want to follow you each and every day. Help us to watch out for those who want to lead us astray. Amen.







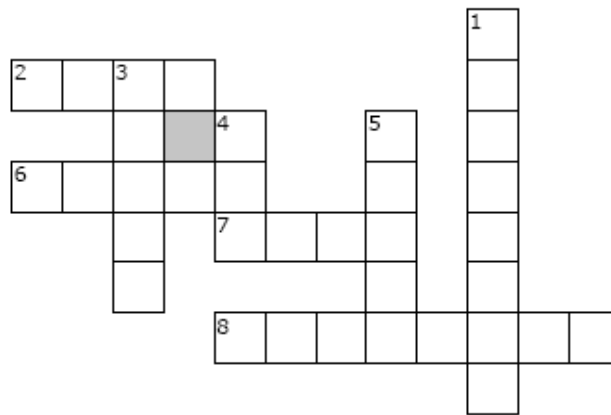
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His sheep follow him because they know his voice.  
John 10:4b (NIV)

This puzzle is based on John 10:1-10 (NIV)



**John 10:1-10**



## ACROSS

2. An opening in a fence for entrance or exit
6. The sound made when people speak or sing
7. The word or words by which a person or thing is known
8. A person who takes care of sheep

## DOWN

1. Someone not known or not familiar
3. Someone who steals
4. A small area surrounded by a fence in which animals are kept
5. A farm animal with thick curly wool

SHEPHERD	THIEF	NAME	VOICE
SHEEP	GATE	STRANGER	PEN