



Questions for Further Study

26th January 2020

Growing in our love for those who don't yet know Jesus.

1. Read John 10:7-18. In this passage, Jesus uses the phrase "I AM" twice. (Remind people that this is a direct reference to the name God gave himself in Exodus, and means that Jesus is declaring that he is God) What does it mean that Jesus is the Gate and the Good Shepherd? What does this say about God?
2. In v 14 Jesus says, "I know my sheep". What does this tell us about our relationship to Jesus? How does this give you hope and purpose?
3. RT Kendall said, "There is a spiritual gap in our lives that can only be filled with soul-winning." Do you agree with this? Read Luke 10: 1-3 and v17. What characterised the return of the disciples? Why did they have that reaction? Do you feel the same way?
4. Fear is often the main thing that prevents us from loving people enough to talk to them about the gospel. List the many fears we might have. How might we overcome each of these objections and fears? (These may include: Not being able to answer questions; People being unreceptive or even hostile; Spoiling a relationship; People thinking badly of us)
5. In order to grow in our love for others we need to understand what Jesus means to us. Meditate on how much you have been forgiven and the difference that makes in your life now and in the future. When we understand the bad news (separation, hell and death) we will be more willing to share the good news (hope, purpose and life.)
6. How can you take steps to reach others this week?

S - Start. Pray. Seek opportunities. Look

T - Take the opportunities that God gives you. Share. Ask questions

E - Empathy. Listen to them carefully.

P - Pray to know when to stop. End the conversation well. Ask the Holy Spirit to direct you.

Engel Scale - Steps to Christ. You might want to share this video on YouTube. <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Q7R30xw5zsY>