

This Week's Readings

First Reading: Acts 4: 8-12.

The name of Jesus is the only one by which we may be saved.

Second Reading: 1 John: 3: 1-2.

We are already God's children and we shall see him as he really is.

Gospel Reading: John 10: 11-18.

Christ's love for us is total: he has given his life for us and so he has bound us to him with the bonds of love.



Points for Reflection

- Up to the time of Jesus, God's flock had been abandoned into the hands of hirelings, who lived off their flesh, but neglected to give these sheep the most basic care. Against this background, **Jesus presents himself as the Good Shepherd**, by putting forward **three characteristics of genuine authority**:
 - **He, first of all, gives his life** as the greatest proof of his love for his flock.
 - **He knows his sheep perfectly well and his sheep know him.** This mutual knowledge is the expression of a communion of life that is based above all on love.
 - **Jesus' concern is also for the unity of the flock and for the sheep that are scattered.** For a true love there can exist no barrier, no distinction of persons. All men and women of the world, without exception, are called to enter the only fold of the only Shepherd.
- We are called to profess **our determination to follow Jesus Christ the Good Shepherd** and to live up to the standard of our Christian call.
- Today, World Vocation Sunday, we pray to God that he may call more young men and women to continue in the Church the saving ministry of Jesus Christ**, so that he may come among us through the love that fills their lives.
- We pray also to the Father to help us to care for our brothers and sisters in need**, as Jesus, the Good Shepherd, cared for his sheep and loved them to the end.

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