

“Following Jesus’ Voice”

John 10:1-18, 24-30

Intro: Voice recognition software and ♥-ware.

- I. “I just wanna be a sheep! (*baa, baa-baa-baa!*)”
 - a. We all like sheep have gone astray. Isaiah 53:6
 - b. Sheep are...humble creatures. They need a shepherd.
 - c. Israel’s shepherds failed. Ezekiel 34:1-16

- II. “I don’t wanna be a Pharisee!”
 - a. Intellectual software but no ♥-ware. Jn 10:6
 - b. Missed the gate; misled and abused the sheep.
 - c. Didn’t care about the flock; didn’t connect with God.

- III. The heart of the sheep
 - a. Bears the imprint of their Shepherd’s voice.
 - b. Responds to the Shepherd’s voice alone.
 - c. Enjoys safety, freedom, and abundant life!

Close: The sheep *live* in the twenty-third Psalm.