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## SERMON OUTLINE

## JESUS AS THE SHEPHERD WHO PRESERVES HIS SHEEP

JOHN 10:22-42 | REV. BUTCH DIWA

John 10:22-42 takes place at the Feast of Dedication during winter. The Jews now demanded a reply as to who He is, whether He is Christ or not (v.24). Jesus responded plainly that they did not know because they did not believe. Their unbelief in Him is because they are not His sheep (v.25-26). Jesus described His relationship with those who are His - they hear His voice, know Him, and follow Him. Jesus gives them Eternal Life - and assures them that they (His sheep) are secured in His hands and the hands of the Father - the giver of the sheep (v.28-30). He further adds that the Father and Himself are one. Jesus' response angered the Jews to the point of nearly stoning Him. They accused Jesus of blasphemy, which He did not refute (vv.31-39). Jesus left across the Jordan, where many believed in Him (vv.40-42).

In this sermon, Jesus, the True Shepherd, preserves His people with a Clear Aim- to secure the redemption of those who trust Him.

What is Hanukkah? Winter represents the necessity of reset: a time of re-dedication. It requires an examination of .

Who is the Messiah? Knowing Jesus only occurs when God grants permission for the \_\_\_\_\_ to see Him for who He truly is.

Why is Jesus Hated? When Jesus reveals Himself as God, you will either spit on His face or fall prostrate before Him in worship. The \_\_\_\_\_ to believe is a personal decision.

Where is Jesus Staying?

Christianity is a movement where His commissioned followers go to expand His Kingdom. They are \_\_\_\_\_ into serving God joyfully.

Application: The \_\_\_\_\_ of every Christian is to join Christ in his desire for all to be saved.

We pray for consciences to \_\_\_\_\_.

We anticipate minds to \_\_\_\_\_ Adonai.

We facilitate the \_\_\_\_\_ of human will.

We exalt the incredible \_\_\_\_\_ of God. ✨

## STAND OUT

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Stand out means to be different in a good way. As followers of Christ, we are called to stand out! We are different because it is no longer us who lives but Christ who lives in us. It is no longer about us but rather about God and His glory. While all of these are true, the reality is that we still have a long road ahead of us that can be challenging, at times.

Nowadays, we are surrounded by numerous things that can influence and even cause us to deviate from the ways of the Lord. These may lead believers to adhere to the world's standards, instead. There is always the pressure to please others and go with the flow. There is the pressure to perform and be perfect, which demands us to do everything right. There are also internal pressures that, at times, cause us to be too hard on ourselves. In all these, it is good to be reminded that we are to stand firm and stand out ONLY for the Lord!

This is exactly what Daniel and his friends did in Daniel 1 -- when they were shipped out and exiled in Babylon. Daniel and his friends yielded to God despite being in a foreign land and under the king's influence. Being in a different environment, they were pressured, which could have led them to go with

the flow. However, by the grace of God, they stood firm in their convictions. This is because they knew God and what would and would not bring glory and honor to His Name! Daniel and his friends were resolved to bring glory and follow God no matter what. And because of this, God granted them favor. Daniel and his friends truly stood out!

I pray that we will constantly be reminded that, as followers of Christ, no matter where we are or what situation we may be in, we will choose to stand out for God and His glory!

### Youth Camp 2024

Stand out is also the theme of our youth camp this year. We thank God for the 104 campers and staff that He brought together last week at Rizal Re-Creation Center. It was a great time to get to know new friends and catch up with old ones. It was a time of fun and laughter as we played games and presented our talent show. It was a time of mutual encouragement and edification through our small groups. More importantly, it was a refreshing time of reconnecting with God through the plenary sessions and personal devotions. We were all encouraged to stand out for God in school, at work or at home.

## PARSON TO PERSON

We also praise and thank God for all your prayers and financial support. You have made a truly lasting impact on the lives of these youth.

### Summer Jam

Vacation has just started for our children. The Children's Ministry team continues to provide programs to make your child's vacation worthwhile. We desire to continue to support and partner with you, dear parents and guardians, in your children's discipleship.

We invite all children to join the activities that started last June and will continue until August. Consider joining the following activities: sports clinic, music training, DVBS, Children's Camp, and other interest groups. These activities will spark their creativity, athleticism, and musicality. More importantly, they will serve as a venue for them to grow their knowledge and love for Jesus.

You may register your children by scanning the QR code on our Facebook page or visiting our booth outside the worship hall.

We look forward to partner and journey with you in the discipleship of your children. ✨

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