

The Effectual Calling and its Result

Study Outline – Grace Bible Chapel

John's Gospel Study - John 10:27-28a

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CONTEXT: This major section began with chapter 9, the Lord Jesus continues to prove He is the fulfillment of Old Testament Scripture. In these closing public words of Jesus to Israel are found some of the most profound, yet concise presentations of the overall plan of God in carrying out salvation among men.

In our passage today (vs. 27—28a), we continue to discuss Jesus' response to His general rejection by the religious leaders of Israel. These same leaders had seen the miracles, viewed His fulfillment of Scripture both in action and stated words, and heard His claims and teaching. Yet, they continue to reject Him and attempt to trap Him with a loaded question concerning His obvious testimony as Messiah. After stating to them: "you do not believe because you are not of My sheep" a direct reference to His exclusive relationship with the elect, and God's sovereign choice; He further explains the consistent response that will be true of all of His elect. The clear metaphors used show the desire of God to make it known that He alone is in complete control of salvation, and that whom He desires to be saved will indeed respond positively to Him, and He will secure their eternal destiny.

Broad outline of the Gospel of John (underlined is the immediate context).

VII. The Performance of Christ followed by irrational rejection (6:1-12:50)

- I. The Confirmation of Messiah (9:1-41)
- J. The Contrast of Jesus with the Jewish leaders (10:1-21)
- K. The Credentials of Messiah rejected (10:22-39)
 1. His Selected setting (10:22-23)
 2. His Sufficient testimony (10:24-25)
 3. His Sovereign disclosure (10:26)
 4. His Sheep effectually called (10:27-28a)

Key Words (10: 27-28a)

- sheep
- hear
- know
- follow
- give
- eternal life

Introduction:

4. His Sheep effectually called (10:27-28a)

a. Their Saving comprehension (10:27a)

b. Their Saving relationship (10:27b)

c. Their Saving obedience (10:27c)

5. His Sheep granted eternal life (10:28a)

Conclusion: