



April 17, 2016 – Pastor John Garner
SERMON-BASED STUDY GUIDE

Series: “Who Do You Say I Am?”
Message: “Protected & Directed”

Connect

1. What examples would you give that we live in a world marked with awe-inspiring beauty and soul wrenching brokenness?
2. How do you keep a healthy perspective in the face of this reality?

Engage

1. Spiritual warfare is fundamental to the human story, whether we are aware or not. Reflect upon Ephesians 6: 12-18. What reality check is given in this passage? What must we be proactive about?
2. Jesus makes another emphatic declaration and gracious offer in John 10: 7-10. What is the significance of this 'figure of speech?'
3. Jesus offers provision, protection and direction as the 'door and shepherd.' What do you feel most in need of currently? Why?
4. What resources does Jesus give us for protection and direction along the way? What resources do you treasure and use? Consider: Hebrews 10:24-25; 2 Peter 1:3-4; 2 Timothy 3:14-17
5. Who can you encourage to move in the direction of Jesus?

Apply

1. During the response time of the service, we were encouraged to consider next steps:
 - step away from negative/destructive paths
 - step toward Jesus and His words
 - step with people who can encourage you and who you can encourage
 - step forward with hope and purpose in God's strength and wisdom

What 'steps' most resonate with you today?