

**Guided By Grace**

**Known & Loved**

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**How do you know God is for you when it feels like life is against you?**

When you don’t feel seen, you are **known**.

When you feel unloved, you are deeply **loved**.

When life lets you down, Jesus never does.

**Known by Name, Loved for Life, Valued Deeply, and Cared for Completely.**

*I am the good shepherd;* ***I know my sheep*** *and my sheep know me—*

*and* ***I lay down my life for the sheep.***

*John 10:14–15 NIV*

*Very truly I tell you, Pharisees, anyone who does not enter the sheep pen by the gate, but climbs in by some other way, is a thief and a robber.* *The one who enters by the gate is the shepherd of the sheep. The gatekeeper opens the gate for him, and the sheep listen to his voice. He calls his own sheep by name and leads them out.* *When he has brought out all his own, he goes on ahead of them, and his sheep follow him because they know his voice.* *But they will never follow a stranger; in fact, they will run away from him because they do not recognize a stranger’s voice.* *Jesus used this figure of speech, but the Pharisees did not understand what he was telling them.*

*John 10:1-6*

*Therefore, Jesus said again, “Very truly I tell you,* ***I am the gate*** *for the sheep.* *All who have come before me are thieves and robbers, but the sheep have not listened to them.*  ***I am the gate****; whoever enters through me will be saved. They will come in and go out and find pasture.* *The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy; I have come that they may have life and have it to the full.*

*John 10:7-10*

*I am the way, the truth, and the life; no one comes to the Father except through me.*

*John 14:6*

**How should your heart respond to a Savior who knows everything about you—yet never walks away from you?**

**The One who knows you best is the One who loves you most.**

*O Lord, you have searched me, and you know me…you are familiar with all my ways.*

*Psalm 139:1,3*