**The Shepherd Is Looking For You**

In the following scriptures the Prophet Ezekiel was told to speak against the shepherds of Israel. This was figurative speech against shepherds (earthly pastors).

Ezekiel 34:2/6 Son of man, prophesy against the shepherds of Israel, prophesy, and say unto them, Thus saith the Lord GOD unto the shepherds; Woe be to the shepherds of Israel that do feed themselves! should not the shepherds feed the flocks?

3 Ye eat the fat, and ye clothe you with the wool, ye kill them that are fed: but ye feed not the flock.

4 The diseased have ye not strengthened, neither have ye healed that which was sick, neither have ye bound up that which was broken, neither have ye brought again that which was driven away, neither have ye sought that which was lost; but with force and with cruelty have ye ruled them.

5 And they were scattered, because there is no shepherd: and they became meat to all the beasts of the field, when they were scattered.

6 My sheep wandered through all the mountains, and upon every high hill: yea, my flock was scattered upon all the face of the earth, and none did search or seek after them.

Notice in verse 4 the order which God addresses five issues.

1. The diseased

2. The sick

3. The broken

4. The scattered

5. The lost

God has pointed out why He has come against these shepherds. Now in the next few

verses God tells them how the Good Shepherd takes care of the flock.

Ezekiel 34:11 For thus saith the Lord GOD; Behold, I, even I, will both search my

sheep, and seek them out.

12 As a shepherd seeketh out his flock in the day that he is among his sheep  that are

scattered; so will I seek out my sheep, and will deliver them out of all places

where they have been scattered in the cloudy and dark day.

13 And I will bring them out from the people, and gather them from the countries,

and will bring them to their own land, and feed them upon the mountains of Israel by

the rivers, and in all the inhabited places of the country.

14 I will feed them in a good pasture, and upon the high mountains of Israel shall

their fold be: there shall they lie in a good fold, and in a fat pasture shall

they feed upon the mountains of Israel.

15 I will feed my flock, and I will cause them to lie down, saith the Lord GOD.

16 I will seek that which was lost, and bring again that which was driven away, and

will bind up that broken, and willstrengthen that which was sick: but I will destroy the

fat and the strong; I will feed them with judgment.

Notice in verse 16 the order in which God addresses the same five issues:

1. The lost

2. The scattered

3. The broken

4. The sick/diseased

God has reversed the order of priority.

Matthew 18:11 For the Son of man is come to save that which was lost.

John 11:52 And not for that nation only, but that also he should gather together in

one the children of God that were scattered abroad.

Psalms 147:3 He healeth the broken in heart, and bindeth up their wounds.

Matthew 4:24 And his fame went throughout all Syria: and they brought unto him

all sick people that were taken with diversdiseases and torments, and those which

were possessed with devils, and those which were lunatick, and those that had the

palsy; and he healed them.

**Are you lost, scattered, broken, diseased or sick?  The Good Shepherd is looking for you.**