The TRUE Meaning of John 10:26!

This verse of Scripture is used to try to support Calvinism and Reformed Theology.

I cannot stress this enough how every false teaching begins by pulling verses OUT of their CONTEXT and READING into those verses their OWN PRIVATE "interpretation".

Let me explain what I mean by this. First, we will read John 10:26 out of its context in the King James Version.

Then I will give you the Calvinistic "interpretation" and then explain WHY it is in ERROR.

For you see, whatever "interpretation" that anyone concludes, then that "interpretation or understanding <u>must</u>

<u>AGREE with all other verses of Scripture and the TRUE</u>

<u>character</u> of Almighty God, the Creator.

And God so loved the WORLD that He gave His only begotten Son, so that WHOSOEVER believes in him should NOT perish, but HAVE Everlasting LIFE!

John 10:36.

"But ye believe not, because ye are not of my sheep, as I said unto you."

And here is the Calvinistic understanding that is READ INTO this verse of Scripture.

John 10:26 with the Calvinistic meaning.

"But you CANNOT POSSIBLY believe,
BECAUSE you are ONE of my sheep that God
CHOSE before the foundation of the world, as I
said unto you."

So then, in the MINDS of Calvinist Christians and Reformed Theology Christians, the above meaning of John 10:26 is all they see or all they CARE to see.

Therefore, ALWAYS PRAY and intercede for them by praying in your own language and ALSO praying in other tongues through the Holy Spirit giving you the words to pray.

For you see, their minds are blinded by the enemy, Satan, who has DECEIVED the whole world, according to **Revelation 12:9**.

And Jesus said of himself in Luke 18:8, shall the Son of Man find FAITH on the earth when he comes.

Well, there will be many Christians who will be ALIVE and remain until his coming that will be raptured up into the clouds to meet Jesus in the air.

So then, THAT kind of faith will indeed be found when Jesus comes.

But the Greek word for "faith" in Luke 18:8 is a different Greek word that carries the meaning of CORRECT DOCTRINE.

Now, the dividing of the church began in the days of the Apostle Paul and in the world today there are some 42,000 different church denominations.

Thus, Satan has DECEIVED the WHOLE church.
And, THEREFORE, the "translators" of the Bible will be

influenced by what they have been taught to believe in their church denomination.

Here is a well-documented source that confirms this.

The King James Bible Translators website provides detailed biographies and theological backgrounds of the translators.

It states, the emphasis is mine:

"Some believed in **pre-destination and limited salvation as taught by John Calvin**, while others
believed in self-determination and universal access to
heaven as taught by Jacobus Arminius."

This clearly shows that **some of the translators adhered to Calvinist or Reformed theological views**, while others leaned toward Arminianism.

Therefore, the King James Version and virtually every other Bible "translation" will have some "**BIAS**" toward the **Calvinistic and Reformed theological views**, understanding, and their own personal interpretation when TRANSLATING the Bible.

With that being said, let us now read John 10:26 with the CORRECT translation that AGREE with ALL of the

Scriptures in the Bible when they are also correctly translated to AGREE with God's TRUE CHARACTER of having NO DARKNESS in Him at ALL, according to <u>1 John 1:5</u>.

John 10:26 with the CORRECT translation!

"Yes, indeed you do NOT believe,

THEREFORE, you are not of my sheep, as I said unto you."

Let's read the CONTEXT so that you can see that this is the CORRECT God intended translation and meaning of John 10:26.

In verse 9, I want you to see the the sheep must ENTER IN through the DOOR in order to BECOME the sheep of Jesus.

In other words, you cannot be a part of the CHURCH until your are SAVED.

John 10:9.

"I am the door: by me if ANY MAN ENTERS IN, he shall be SAVED, and shall go in and out, and find pasture."

So then, the sheepfold is EVERY HUMAN being or ALL of HUMANITY.

And every sheep is LOST. For you see, Jesus came to SEEK and SAVE the LOST, according to Matthew 18:11 and Luke 19:10.

So again, the SHEEP are people, every person on the earth.

Jesus is telling us this parable to teach us that Satan is the "rebel" god of this present world, who STOLE the dominion over the earth from Adam when he influenced Adam and Eve to DISOBEY God's one commandment.

In other words, Jesus entered into the world LEAGALLY by being BORN as a HUMAN BEING.

Thus, he has a "birthright" to the inheritance of being made the King over the whole earth during the world to come.

And in this present world, Jesus is King ONLY to those of us who ENTER INTO the Kingdom of God's dear Son, according to Colossians 1:13.

Let's go ahead and read that verse with a little context.

Colossians 1:12-14.

"Giving thanks unto the **Father**, which has **made us meet to be partakers of the**inheritance of the saints in light:

Colossians 1:13. Who has DELIVERED us from the power of darkness, and has translated us into the kingdom of His dear Son:

Colossians 1:14. In whom we have redemption through his blood, even the forgiveness of sins:"

So then, without BELIEVING in the shed blood of Jesus for the FORGIVENESS of sin, then the SHEEP remain LOST.

Now, with all of this in mind let's read some more CONTEXT so that you can see the BIG PICTURE of what Jesus is ACTUALLY teaching us in this parable.

I Am the Good Shepherd

John 10:1-30.

"Verily, verily, (Or Truly, Truly,) I say unto you, He that enters NOT by the door into the SHEEPFOLD, but climbs up some other way,

the same is a thief and a robber. (Jesus is talking about being BORN-AGAIN, and before you can be born AGAIN you have to be BORN as a human being first.

Satan is the THIEF and ROBBER as you will see in the verses below.

Calvinistic Christians are actually BLAMING God for all of the evil in the world, but the Bible ITSELF actually teaches us that Satan is the one who oppresses people.

Never forget <u>1 John 1:5</u>, in Him there is NO DARKNESS at ALL!

So then, the **SHEEPFOLD is the WORLD, as in, ALL of HUMANITY**)

John 10:2. But he that <u>ENTERS IN by</u> the door is the shepherd of the sheep. (In other words, the DOOR is being BORN. There is only oen door but there are TWO BIRTHS.

And to ENTER into the Kingdom of God, the SHEEP must be BORN-AGAIN, including Jesus himself.

"What, wait, I never heard that before". Yes, it is true, Jesus was born-again at his baptism by John the Baptist. Please read the study called **Book 6 Chapter 10 Jesus was Born-Again at His Baptism!**

Now, in a sense, all who believe are shepherds, in that, we all help each other grow in our faith.

But the focus of Jesus is on showing that Satan is a WOLF in sheep's clothing, so do NOT listed to the Devils LIES)

John 10:3. To him the porter opens; and the sheep hear his voice: and he calls <u>his OWN</u>

<u>sheep by name, and leads them OUT</u>. (Speaking of a LOST sheep ENTERING into the Sheepfold of Jesus to be led OUT of the world and no longer be of the world even as Jesus is NOT of the world, according to <u>John 17:14</u>)

John 10:4. And when he puts forth <u>his</u>

<u>OWN sheep</u>, he goes before them, and the sheep

follow him: for they know his voice.

John 10:5. And a stranger they will not follow, but will flee from him: for they know not

the voice of strangers. (The stranger speaks of Satan and no true born-again Christian will deliberately follow Satan and obey his voice.

But Satan has BLINDED to minds of every human to be LOST.

And when we are born-again, our hearing is restored to hear the voice of the Holy Spirit more CLEARLY.

This does not mean that every Christians "instaneously" hears every word that God speaks to them as being crystal clear, knowing with absolute certainty which voice is speaking to them.

Otherwise, there would be no need to TRY the "spirits" to see whether or not the "spirit" that is talking to you is TRUTHFUL God or if that voice is the LYING god of this present world)

John 10:6. <u>This parable</u> spoke Jesus unto them: but they understood not what things they were which he spoke unto them. (We should never take every word in a parable literally.

Parables are analogies that people can relate to)

John 10:7. Then said Jesus unto them again, Verily, verily, I say unto you, I am the DOOR of the sheep. (In other words, ALL of the SHEEP in the world who are above the age of accountability, belong to Satan's sheepfold UNTIL the sheep CHOOSES to BELIEVE in the NAME of Jesus to ENTER the DOOR into HIS Sheepfold.

Think of FAITH as being the KEY that unlocks to DOOR to enter in to be SAVED)

John 10:8. All that ever came before me are thieves and robbers: but the sheep did not hear them. (Based on the context of verse 7 where sheep enter into the Sheepfold of Jesus, here is a more correct translation and understanding of verse 8: All that ever came before me are thieves and robbers:

THEREFORE the sheep DO NOT hear them)

John 10:9. I am the door: by me if ANY MAN ENTERS IN, he shall be SAVED, and shall go in and out, and find pasture. (Here we see

In other words, any one of us who is saved can be DECEIVED by Satan to believe his LIES and leave the SAFETY of our Shepherd, Jesus.

that a SAVED sheep can go in and out of the world.

This is why I teach my readers to repent QUICKLY and get back into the safety of our Shepherd.

Also, notice the word "IF". This word means CONDITIONAL.

In other words, salvation has been PROVIDED for the WHOLE world, but salvation is CONDITIONAL, in that, something is REQUIRED in order to RECEIVE God's GIFT of RIGHTEOUSNESS.

Therefore, not one single person is CHOSEN to be saved before they are BORN as Calvinism CLAIM.

The Apostle Paul blatantly states HOW a person can or MIGHT be saved in **Romans 10:13-15**)

John 10:10. The thief comes not, but to steal, and to kill, and to destroy: (Again, the thief is Satan) I come that they might have life, and that they might have it more abundantly. (Might is also CONDITIONAL on us remaining in the Vine to endure unto the END to be SAVED, as in, to receive the END of our salvation, the manifestation of our new glorified immortal bodies like Jesus was given after the cross and resurrection)

John 10:11. I am the good shepherd: the good shepherd gives his life for the sheep. (All Christians should understand this verse)

John 10:12. But he that is a hireling, and not the shepherd, whose own the sheep are not, sees the wolf coming, and leaves the sheep, and flees: and the wolf catches them, and scatters the sheep. (Now, under Jesus there are true shepherds that

have the same mind as Jesus to esteem others more than themselves.

But not all pastors are like this. In fact, sadly, some pastors are in the ministry for the fame, the power, the prestige, and for the money.

Other pastors only feed their sheep milk and keep them as baby Christians.

And some pastors are not actually SAVED themselves. Rather, they only have the TRAINING and license from their church denomination seminary school.

And thus, they are actually minsters of Satan. They are WOLVES in sheep's clothing, and the leader of the pack of wolves is Satan)

John 10:13. The hireling flees, because he is a hireling, and cares not for the sheep.

John 10:14. I am the good shepherd, and know my sheep, and am known of mine.

John 10:15. As the Father knows me, even so know I the Father: and I lay down my

life for the sheep. (Now, Calvinist Christians read this verse as Jesus died ONLY for the ELECT sheep and NOT for ALL of the sheep.

But they are WRONG! And HOW do we KNOW with absolute CERTAINTY that they are WRONG?

We compare "their" interpretation to the rest of SCRIPTURE to see if **their own personal understanding** agrees or if it DISAGREES.

And according to 1 John 2:2 and all of the WHOSOEVER verses. Jesus died FOR the sins of the WHOLE world)

John 10:16. And other sheep I have, which are not of this fold: (Jesus is talking about two sheepfold that become ONE sheepfold. Jesus was sent ONLY to the Jews. And at first, the disciples of Jesus were also only sent to preach the gospel to the Jews as well.

Then, after the nation of Jews as a whole rejected Jesus as being their Messiah, God TURN the PREACHING of the Gospel to the GENTILES) *them also, I must bring*,

and they shall hear my voice; and there shall be one fold, and one shepherd.

John 10:17. Therefore, does my Father love me, because I lay down my life, that I might take it again.

John 10:18. No man takes it from me, but I lay it down, of myself. I have power to lay it down, and I have power to take it again. This commandment I have received from my Father. (Here we clearly see that the Son of MAN had a FREE WILL even though God ORDAINED him to die on the cross)

John 10:19. There was a division, therefore, again among the Jews for these sayings.

John 10:20. And many of them said, He has a devil, and is mad; why do you hear him?

(And when you, as a FORMER Calvinist Christian goes to show them what God has show to you, then they will falsely accuse you of having a devil)

John 10:21. Others said, These are not the words of him that has a devil. Can a devil open the eyes of the blind?

I and the Father Are One

John 10:22. And it was at Jerusalem the feast of the dedication, and it was winter.

John 10:23. And Jesus walked in the temple on Solomon's porch.

John 10:24. Then came the Jews round about him, and said unto him, How long do you make us to doubt? If you are the Christ, tell us plainly.

John 10:25. Jesus answered them, I told you, and ye believed not: the works that I do in my Father's name, they bear witness of me.

John 10:26. But ye believe not, because ye are not of my sheep, as I said unto you.

John 10:27. My sheep hear my voice, and I know them, and they follow me:

John 10:28. And I give unto them eternal life; and they shall never perish, neither shall any man pluck them out of my hand.

John 10:29. My Father, which gave them me, is greater than all; and no man is able to pluck them out of my Father's hand.

John 10:30. I and my Father are one."