



## PARTICIPANT'S GUIDE—YOUTH

### Lesson 1—John 10:1-21

#### ENCOUNTER—Community Discussion

After reading the passage, take time to journal through the questions below. Don't feel like you have to answer all these questions. Wrestle with the text, and be prepared to share with your community.

*How is this God's story?*

*How is this my story?*

*How is this others' story?*

*How is this the world's story?*

#### PRAYER

From the Glenstal Book of Prayer<sup>1</sup>:

*I shall follow you, O Lord, any place you go, because it is you who have the words of eternal life.*

#### WEEKLY PRACTICE

##### ***Practicing Sacrificial Love:***

This week look for a way to practice sacrificial love by doing something for someone without any strings attached or looking for anything in return. Do not serve them simply so that you can talk about God with them. Simply out of love for them, do something sacrificial. Then reflect on these questions in a journal:

How did you feel? How did it help you experience Jesus, if at all?

What might be different about your life if you practiced this regularly, as a way of life?

How did it help you feel fully alive?

What was really challenging about it?

#### BECOMING MY STORY

• *Exodus 3*

• *Ezekiel 34*

• *John 14*

• *1 John 3*

Spend time this week reading and journaling through the above Scriptures. Reflect on how the passage is God's story, my story, others' story, and the world's story. In the context of John 10:1-21, consider the following questions:

*How are these Scripture passages related to the message in John 10:1-21?*

*How do these Scriptures tell us about the story of God being continued from John 10:1-21?*

*What is God saying to you through these passages?*

Consider other passages that you might know related to John 10:1-21 and read them this week, journaling as you go.

1. *The Glenstal Book of Prayer* (Collegeville: The Liturgical Press, 2011)