

3. *Who are the "other sheep" that Jesus refers to in vs. 16? Ephesians 2:13-22*

4. *How is Jesus the "door" to the sheepfold?*

5. *Read Ezekiel 34. How is Jesus fulfilling the prophecies there?*

6. *Why were some of the people having a hard time believing that Jesus was simply demon possessed? What question does that leave them with? Vs.21*



Jesus has to leave the area due to the threat to His life, but He later returns to Jerusalem for the Feast of Dedication. In 168 B.C. Antiochus Epiphanes, a ruler of Syria, conquered Jerusalem and slaughtered a pig on the altar in the Temple defiling it. A revolt followed led by a man called Judas Maccabaeus. In 165 B.C. the Temple area was reclaimed and an eight-day cleansing time followed. According to Jewish tradition, though only enough oil was found to burn in the Temple for one day, it lasted eight. The celebration that Christ was present for would have included the lighting of candles in all synagogues and homes, one a day for eight days. This tradition is still incorporated in many Jewish homes today.

Prayer requests:

Group time notes:
