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| We are all <u>like</u> <u>sheep</u> . | | | | | |
| Live in persistent pursuit of God's will. | | | | | |
| Who's your one? | | | | | |

What can cause one to wander away and be lost?

- 1. <u>Curiosity</u> and/or being <u>enticed</u>.
- 2. Lacking a sense of <u>belonging</u>.

Beware of these pitfalls:

- 1. Complacency
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