

THE SHEPHERD.

ALL we like sheep have gone astray, we have turned every one to his own way, and the Lord hath made the iniquity of us all to meet on Him,—(Margin) (Isa. liii. 6)

Awake, O sword, against my shepherd, and against the man that is my fellow, saith the Lord of Hosts : Smite the Shepherd.—(Zech. xiii 7).

I am the good Shepherd ; the good Shepherd giveth His life for the sheep.—(St. John x. 11.)

I lay down my life for the sheep.—(Verse. xv.)

No man taketh it from me, but I lay it down of myself.—(St. John x. 18.)

What man of you, having an hundred sheep, if he lose *one* of them, doth not leave the ninety and nine in the wilderness, and go after that which is lost, *until he find it*. And when he hath found it, he layeth it on his shoulders (the place of strength) rejoicing,—(St. Luke. xv. 4. 5.)

Likewise, there is joy in the *presence* of the angels of God over *one* sinner that repenteth.—(St. Luke xv. 10.)

My sheep hear My voice. * * * And *I give* unto them eternal life, and they shall *never* perish, neither shall any pluck them out of *my* hand.
—(St. John x. 27. 28.)