

I Am The Gate - 03/15/2020

Sermon Discussion Questions

1. What is causing you stress right now? Is it more than the Coronavirus? On a scale of 1 to 10 (1 being "no stress" and 10 being "extreme stress"), how stressed are you?
2. How can the "I Am" statements help you understand who Jesus is?
3. Pastor Steve suggested that Jesus is the gate to intimacy, warmth and security. Have you experienced these things in your relationship with God or with your church family? If you have not known this "intimacy, warmth and security", how do you think you may find it?
4. Jesus said in John 10:9, "I am the gate; whoever enters through me will be saved." What do you think he meant by that? How do you know that you are saved? How can the story of the blindman contribute to your understanding of what it means to be saved?
5. Pastor Steve quoted from a book "The Rise of Christianity: How the Obscure, Marginal Jesus Movement Became the Dominant Religious Force in the Western World in a Few Centuries" by Rodney Stark. The point he made was that Christians can win their world by caring for the people around us. How can you make a difference in our community in the name of Christ during this Covid-19 crisis?

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Psalm 27:5

For in the day of trouble

He will keep me safe in his dwelling;

He will hide me in the **Shelter** of his

sacred tent and set me high upon a

Rock.

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Exodus 3:13,14

Moses said to God, “Suppose I go to the Israelites and say to them, ‘The God of your fathers has sent me to you,’ and they ask me, ‘What is his name?’ Then what shall I tell them?”

Exodus 3:13,14

**God said to Moses, “I AM WHO I AM.
This is what you are to say to the
Israelites: ‘I AM has sent me to
you.’”**

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I am the Bread of Life

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I am the Light of the World

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Jesus heals the man born blind



John 9

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John 10:1-10

“Very truly I tell you Pharisees, anyone who does not enter the sheep pen by the gate, but climbs in by some other way, is a thief and a robber. The one who enters by the gate is the shepherd of the sheep.

The gatekeeper opens the gate for him, and the sheep listen to his voice. He calls his own sheep by name and leads them out. When he has brought out all his own, he goes on ahead of them, and his sheep follow him because they know his voice.

But they will never follow a stranger; in fact, they will run away from him because they do not recognize a stranger's voice.” Jesus used this figure of speech, but the Pharisees did not understand what he was telling them.

Therefore Jesus said again, “Very truly I tell you, I am the gate for the sheep. All who have come before me are thieves and robbers, but the sheep have not listened to them.

I am the gate; whoever enters through me will be saved. They will come in and go out, and find pasture. The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy; I have come that they may have life, and have it to the full.

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To salvation

To the best life possible

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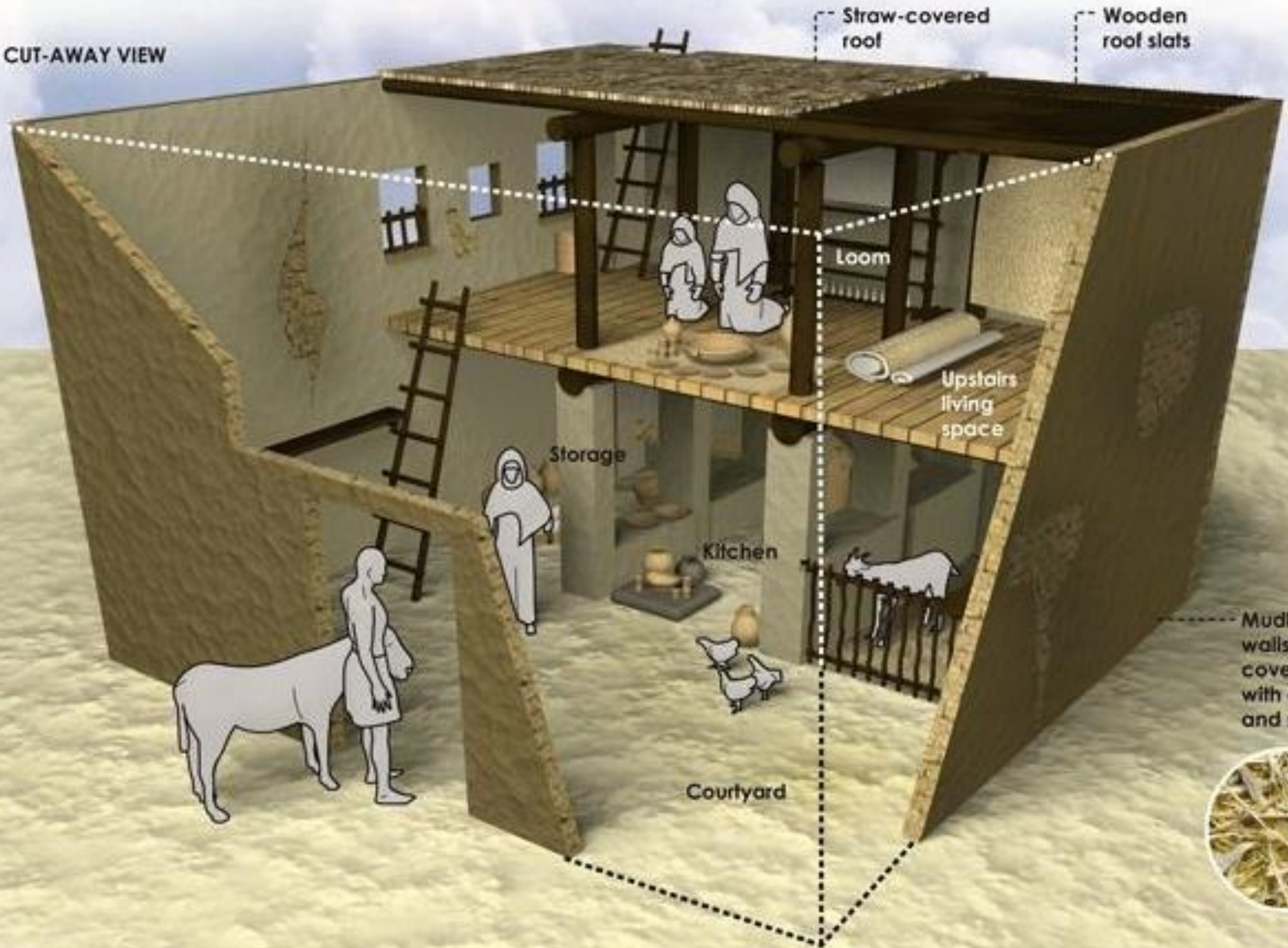
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John 9:35-38

“Do you believe in the Son of Man?” “Who is he, sir?” the man asked. “Tell me so that I may believe in him.” Jesus said, “You have now seen him; in fact, he is the one speaking with you.” Then the man said, “Lord, I believe,” and he worshiped him.



John 9:25

**“One thing I
do know. I
was blind but
now I see!”**

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**“If you can
take me to the
cross, I’ll find
my way home”**

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