JESUS WARN'T A COWBOY

(Cowboy Churches)

LYRICS

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"He [Jesus] felt great pity for the crowds that came, because their problems were so great and they didn't know where to go for help. They were like sheep without a shepherd." --Matt.9:36 New Living Translation.

King James Version:

"But when he saw the multitudes, he was moved with compassion on them, because they fainted, and were scattered abroad, as sheep having no shepherd."

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Jesus warn't a cowboy as He took care of God's sheep. Not once did He yell, "Get-em boys! Let's knock'-em _ off their feet!" Not once did He holler "Lasso them dôggies!" Jesus gave respect. He gently called to people,

"Come, I love you. Follow in My steps."

2

Never called a roundup so He could drag people in. Oh, yes! He did say we **must** warn all people about sin. Our Church's motive must be love ----- NOT numbers on some roll. Do we think people don't notice when

our motive is cold?

3

Jesus taught by example: Gladly teach them one by one. Don't look at "odds" because in God's eyes **NO learner is "JUST one."** Once a Sunday school teacher went to a single youth >>>>

Dwight Moody learned of God's love and then taught millions about God's Truth.

4

Jesus taught by example: Don't throw at them all you've "got." John 16:12, and Hebrews 5, verse 12 say too much food all at once will make learners throw up. Wait on The Holy Spirit.

Ask Him for wisdom. (James 1:5 says.) He'll teach you how to shepherd.

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Jesus still ain't a cowboy forcing His brand on people sheep. He calls us, invites, urges all, "Come, I love you! Come find peace." Jesus set GOD's example for all <u>STEPS</u>: churches, how to teach: Ask (1) God to guide. Follow your Shepherd. (2) Gently lead God's sheep. (3)

CHORUS THROUGHOUT:

Get along, little doggies, get along.

<u>NOTE</u>" The "o" is long in "doggies". A doggie is a cow :)

Song Story (4/4 time).

Two pages of lyrics that in minutes quickly came ___: Tears of joy fall as I see: God has blessed me once again! ___.

IMPORTANT:

This song is NOT a criticism of churches but a reminder.... God calls us to gently shepherd people to Him.

It is **our** calling to go share God's world (called "the great commission" in churches, though not given that name in Matthew 28 at the end).

It is God's Holy Spirit's "job" to actually open people's eyes to Him, though.

We can't "*convert*" anyone. Any appearance of "bull-dogging" simply *drives people away* from an open-ness to God.

Cowboys use force like ropes and dogs to guide animals. Shepherds use love and their VOICE. (John 10: 27)

JESUS: "My sheep hear my voice, and I know them, and they follow me"