

John 6:1-71 Part VIII

True and False Disciples of the Sovereign Son of Man

1. Jesus Exposes the _____ of False Disciples: (60-66)

- a. Complaint: 'This is a hard saying, who can listen to it?' (60)
 - i. They _____ Him as 'The Prophet'. –Deut 18:18-19; Lk 9:35
 - ii. They _____ in their own understanding. –Prov 3:5; John 8:31
- b. Answer: they must _____ and _____. (61-65)
 - i. He rebukes and challenges their grumbling:
 1. They respond as _____ did. –Ex 17:3; John 6:41-43
 2. His _____ will give them far greater offence. –John 3:14
 - ii. They require, and must rely upon, God's Spirit and Word:
 1. The Spirit gives life; the flesh is no help at all. –John 1:14, 32; 3:3
 2. Jesus' words are _____ and _____. –Ezek 37:1-14; Jer 15:16
 - iii. Their _____ of His words is _____ in Him:
 1. Jesus _____ from the beginning who did not believe. –John 2:23
 2. Faith in Jesus is decisively _____ by God. –John 6:44
- c. Response: 'After this many of His disciples turned back.' (66)

2. Jesus Establishes the _____ of the Twelve: (67-71)

- a. Jesus asks the Twelve if they want to go away as well: (67)
 - i. This is the first of four mentions of 'the Twelve.' –John 20:24
 - ii. He asks in response to the disciples _____. –John 3:19-21
- b. Peter makes a _____ of Great Faith: (68-69)
 - i. 'Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life.'
 - ii. 'And we have believed, and have come to know, that you are the Holy One of God.' –John 17:11; Lk 4:34
- c. Jesus _____ and _____ His Sovereignty: (70-71)
 - i. 'Did I not choose you, the Twelve?' –John 15:16
 - ii. 'And yet one of you is a devil.' –John 13:1-5; 18:1-5

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When many of his disciples heard it, they said, "This is a hard saying; who can listen to it?" ⁶¹ But Jesus, knowing in himself that his disciples were grumbling about this, said to them, "Do you take offense at this?" ⁶² Then what if you were to see the Son of Man ascending to where he was before? ⁶³ It is the Spirit who gives life; the flesh is no help at all. The words that I have spoken to you are spirit and life. ⁶⁴ But there are some of you who do not believe." (For Jesus knew from the beginning who those were who did not believe, and who it was who would betray him.) ⁶⁵ And he said, "This is why I told you that no one can come to me unless it is granted him by the Father."

⁶⁶ After this many of his disciples turned back and no longer walked with him. ⁶⁷ So Jesus said to the twelve, "Do you want to go away as well?" ⁶⁸ Simon Peter answered him, "Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life, ⁶⁹ and we have believed, and have come to know, that you are the Holy One of God." ⁷⁰ Jesus answered them, "Did I not choose you, the twelve? And yet one of you is a devil." ⁷¹ He spoke of Judas the son of Simon Iscariot, for he, one of the twelve, was going to betray him.