

The True Disciple – John 6:36-71

The True Disciple is drawn to Jesus by the Father and will not be lost (6:36-40, 44-47, 65).

The True Disciple does not grumble at Jesus' difficult words (6:41-43).

The True Disciple eats Jesus' flesh and drinks His blood (6:48-59).

The True Disciple does not turn away from following Jesus (6:60-71).

Questions for Discussion & Application:

1. What was surprising, confusing, or helpful from today's passage?
2. When we look at 6:37, 44, & 65 what do we learn about God's role in our salvation? Does this challenge your understanding in any way? How?
3. In today's passage, why were many of the Jews finding Jesus' words so difficult and grumbling? What teachings of Christ might people find difficult today? What teachings of Jesus do you find difficult? How has God helped you to accept and trust these words instead of grumbling?
4. What does it mean to "eat Jesus' flesh and drink His blood"? How do these words of Jesus strike you personally? Why might this metaphor convey very well a complete humble trust in and reliance upon Jesus' death alone for our salvation?
5. Jesus questioned the 12 disciples about whether or not they would also turn away from following Him and Peter speaks for them a true confession of persevering faith. But even among the 12 who did not turn away, Jesus knew that Judas was a false disciple. Can false disciples be in surprising places still today? How can we recognize such a one? (Matthew 7:15-20)

Memory Verse: John 6:68

Passage to Look at for Next Week: John 7:1-52