# Many disciples desert Jesus - John 6:60-71

John 6:60 On hearing it, many of his disciples said, "This is a hard teaching. Who can accept it?" <sup>61</sup> Aware that his disciples were grumbling about this, Jesus said to them, "Does this offend you? <sup>62</sup> What if you see the Son of Man ascend to where he was before!

John 6:63 The Spirit gives life; the flesh counts for nothing. The words I have spoken to you are spirit and they are life.

John 6:64 Yet there are some of you who do not believe." For Jesus had known from the beginning which of them did not believe and who would betray him. (65) He went on to say, "This is why I told you that no one can come to me unless the Father has enabled him."

John 6:66 From this time many of his disciples turned back and no longer followed him.

<sup>67</sup> "You do not want to leave too, do you?" Jesus asked the Twelve.

John 6:68 Simon Peter answered him, "Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life."

John 6:69 "We believe and know that you are the Holy One of God."

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## Jesus, the Bread of Life

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### Jesus feeds the five thousand- John 6:1-15

- John 6:5 When Jesus looked up and saw a great crowd coming toward him, he said to Philip, "Where shall we buy bread for these people to eat?" <sup>6</sup> He asked this only to test him, for he already had in mind what he was going to do.
- John 6:7 Philip answered him, "Eight months' wages would not buy enough bread for each one to have a bite!" 8 Another of his disciples, Andrew, Simon Peter's brother, spoke up, 9 "Here is a boy with five small barley loaves and two small fish, but how far will they go among so
- and two small fish, but how far will they go among so many?"
- John 6:10 Jesus said, "Have the people sit down." There was plenty of grass in that place, and the men sat down, about five thousand of them. <sup>11</sup> Jesus then took the loaves, gave thanks, and distributed to those who were seated <u>as much as they wanted</u>. He did the same with the fish.
- <sup>12</sup> When they had <u>all had enough to eat</u>, he said to his disciples, "Gather the pieces that are left over. Let nothing be wasted." <sup>13</sup> So they gathered them and filled twelve baskets with the pieces of the five barley loaves left over by those who had eaten.
- John 6:14 After the people saw the miraculous sign that

  Jesus did, they began to say, "Surely this is the Prophet who is to come into the world."
  - John 6:15 Jesus, knowing that they intended to come and make him king by force, withdrew again to a mountain by himself.

#### Jesus walks on water - John 6:16-24

John 6:16 When evening came, his disciples went down to the lake, <sup>17</sup> where they got into a boat and set off across the lake for Capernaum. By <u>now it was dark</u>, and Jesus had not yet joined them. <sup>18</sup> <u>A strong wind</u> was <u>blowing</u> and the <u>waters</u> <u>grew rough</u>.

John 6:19<sup>...</sup>they had <u>rowed three or three and a half miles</u>...

John 6:19b ...they saw Jesus approaching the boat, walking on the water; and they were terrified.

Mark 6:48 He saw the disciples <u>straining at the oars</u>, because <u>the wind was against them</u>. About the fourth watch of the night he went out to them, walking on the lake. He was about to pass by them,

John 6:20 But he said to them, "It is I; don't be afraid."

John 6:21 Then they were willing to take him into the boat, and immediately the boat reached the shore where they were heading.

### Jesus, the bread of life - John 6:25-59

John 6:26 Jesus answered, "I tell you the truth, you are looking for me, not because you saw miraculous signs but because you ate the loaves and had your fill."

John 6:27 "Do not work for <u>food that spoils</u>, but for <u>food that</u> <u>endures to eternal life</u>, which the Son of Man will give you. On him God the Father has placed his seal of approval."

John 6:28 Then they asked him, "What must we do to do the works God requires?" <sup>29</sup> Jesus answered, "The work of God is this: to believe in the one he has sent."

- John 6:32 Jesus said to them, "I tell you the truth, it is not Moses who has given you the bread from heaven, but it is my Father who gives you the true bread from heaven. 33 For the bread of God is he who comes down from heaven and gives life to the world." 34 "Sir," they said, "from now on give us this bread."
- John 6:35 Then Jesus declared, "I am the bread of life. He who comes to me will never go hungry, and he who believes in me will never be thirsty."
- John 6:47 I tell you the truth, he who believes has everlasting life. <sup>48</sup> I am the bread of life. <sup>49</sup> Your forefathers ate the manna in the desert, yet they died. <sup>50</sup> But here is the bread that comes down from heaven, which a man may eat and not die.
- John 6:51 I am the living bread that came down from heaven. If anyone eats of this bread, he will live forever. This bread is my flesh, which I will give for the life of the world."

John 6:52 Then the Jews began to argue sharply among themselves, "How can this man give us his flesh to eat?" <sup>54</sup> Whoever eats my flesh and drinks my blood has eternal life, and I will raise him up at the last day.