The Book of John:

The Disciple Jesus Loved

Study Notes

Chapter 6 PT. 4: The Power of Revelation

John 6:52-71

Verse 52

John 6:52 (NASB) – "⁵² Then the Jews *began* to argue with one another, saying, 'How can this Man give us His flesh to eat?""

Note: These Jews were so blind that they thought Jesus was talking about His natural flesh!

<u>Verse 53</u>

John 6:53 (NASB) – "⁵³ So Jesus said to them, 'Truly, truly, I say to you, unless you eat the flesh of the Son of Man and drink His blood, you have no life in yourselves."



- Eating this flesh and drinking this blood means believing in Jesus Christ as our Redeemer.
- We as Believers partake of Jesus and His benefits by faith.
- You cannot have life outside of Christ.
- Life is the very Spirit of the Father: Ruach Ha Kodesh.

Verses 54-56

John 6:54-56 (NASB) – "⁵⁴ The one who eats My flesh and drinks My blood has eternal life, and I will raise him up on the last day. ⁵⁵ For My flesh is true food, and My blood is true drink. ⁵⁶ The one who eats My flesh and drinks My blood remains in Me, and I in him."

- "Whoever comes to Me will live."
- "Whoever believes in the power of My Blood to remove sin will live."
- "Whoever receives Me will have eternal life."
- "I shall raise him up!"



IT'S A PROMISE

1 Thessalonians 4:16-17 (NASB) – "¹⁶ For the Lord Himself will descend from heaven with a shout, with the voice of *the* archangel and with the trumpet of God, and the dead in Christ will rise first. ¹⁷ Then we who are alive, who remain, will be caught up together with them in the clouds to meet the Lord in the air, and so we will always be with the Lord."

Verses 57-58

John 6:57-58 (NASB) – "⁵⁷ Just as the living Father sent Me, and I live because of the Father, the one who eats Me, he also will live because of Me. ⁵⁸ This is the bread that came down out of heaven, not as the fathers ate and died; the one who eats this bread will live forever."

Key: Jesus is stating, "Because I live, you live!"

Words to the Disciples

Verse 59

John 6:59 (NASB) – "⁵⁹ These things He said **in the synagogue** as He taught in Capernaum."



Note: Jesus is not out in some wilderness mountain; He is in the synagogue! But pay attention to who was complaining!

Verses 60-61

John 6:60-61 (NASB) – "⁶⁰ So then many of **His disciples**, when they heard *this*, said, 'This statement is *very* unpleasant; who can listen to it?' ⁶¹ But Jesus, aware that His disciples were complaining about this, said to them, 'Is this offensive to you?""

Disciple-(Greek)-math-ay-tes- a learner, i.e. pupil.

Understanding: Just because you follow Jesus, does not mean you have a revelation of who He is!

- As without the soul of man, the flesh is of no value.
- Without the quickening Spirit of G-d, all forms of religion are dead and worthless.
- They followed out of religion, **not** from a heart sold out to Him.

Matthew 15:8-9 (NASB) – "8 **These people** honor me with their lips, but their hearts are far from me. 9 They worship me in vain; their teachings are merely human rules."

Understanding: In Matthew, Jesus is talking about the hypocrisy of the scribes and Pharisees. This verse is used to show how the Lord knows the heart of all **people!**

Verses 62-63

John 6:62-63 (NASB) – "⁶² *What* then if you see the Son of Man ascending to where He was before? ⁶³ It is the Spirit who gives life; the **flesh provides no benefit**; the words that I have spoken to you are spirit, and are life."

- Jesus is hinting here of His ascension.
- He is saying to them if you stumble at smaller truths, you should consider how you will get over greater truths.

PARAPHRASE: Jesus is saying, "If you don't believe I am the bread of life, how will you believe when I ascend back to my Father?"



Key: Jesus is letting His disciples know that in the flesh there is no life at all. The only thing about Him that brings life is His Spirit and His Words.

Verses 64-65

John 6:64-65 (NASB) – "⁶⁴ 'But there are some of you who do not believe.' For Jesus knew from the beginning who they were who did not believe, and who it was who would betray Him. ⁶⁵ And He was saying, 'For this reason I have told you that no one can come to Me unless it has been granted him from the Father.""

Note: Just as in Verses 37-39, the doctrine of election is once again highlighted.

Peter's Confession of Faith

Verses 66-67

John 6:66-67 (NASB) – "⁶⁶ As a result of this many of His disciples left, and would no longer walk with Him. ⁶⁷ So Jesus said to the twelve, 'You do not want to leave also, do you?""

Remember: Peter was very good at confession of faith, but stumbled when it was time to truly show his faith by his works.

The Power of Revelation

But never forget...Peter had a revelation that would cause him to stand back up again!



Read All - Matthew 16:13-19

Matthew 16:17-19 (NASB) – "¹⁷And Jesus said to him, "Blessed are you, Simon Barjona, because flesh and blood did not reveal *this* to you, but My Father who is in heaven. ¹⁸ And I also say to you that you are Peter, and upon this rock I will build My church; and the gates of Hades will not overpower it. ¹⁹ I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven; and whatever you bind on earth shall have been bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth shall have been loosed in heaven."

NOTE: <u>Holy Spirit spoke this to me: "He who has the revelation, also has the keys"!</u>

Verses 68-69

John 6:68-69 (NASB) – "⁶⁸ Simon Peter answered Him, 'Lord, to whom shall we go? You have words of eternal life. ⁶⁹ And we have *already* believed and have come to know that You are the Holy One of God.""

Write This Down

You Cannot Believe in Jesus and Not Follow; Even Those With A Preference...Selah.

Verse 70-71

John 6:70-71 (NASB) – "⁷⁰ Jesus answered them, 'Did I Myself not choose you, the twelve? And *yet* one of you is a devil.' ⁷¹ Now He meant Judas *the son* of Simon Iscariot; for he, one of the twelve, was going to betray Him."

Judas Betrayed Jesus with a Kiss – (Read Matthew 24:47-54)



Understanding: Only the Devil, and those of the Devil, could ever choose this world over Jesus. Those He lost were never truly His!

Don't let Him come back and realize that you've betrayed Him with a kiss. Choose Him today!

The End