

DAILY MEDITATIONS

September, 8/9 2018

Memory Verse *“The Spirit alone gives eternal life. Human effort accomplishes nothing. And the very words I have spoken to you are spirit and life.”*

John 6:63 (NLT)

Monday – Begin the day in prayer; meditate on the memory verse.

Review the sermon outline. Which part of the sermon spoke to you?

What part of the sermon challenged you?

What change do you need to make in your life as a result of hearing the sermon?

Tuesday – Begin the day in prayer; meditate on the memory verse.

Read John 6:60-63.

In Chapter 6, Jesus first spoke to the crowd, then to the Jews, and now to whom is He interacting with in verses 60-63?

What statement did the disciples find hard to accept?

In verse 62, Jesus refers to Himself in heaven on the judgment throne. Why does He bring this to the disciples' attention?

What statements from the Word do you find hard to accept in your flesh?

In what ways do you need to surrender these to God and allow God's words that are “spirit” and “life” to work in you?

Wednesday – Begin the day in prayer; meditate on the memory verse.

Read John 6:64-66.

Why does John include verse 64?

What do we learn about God's sovereignty from verse 64?

In what ways are verse 44 and verse 65 similar?

How does verse 65 inform the way we thank God for salvation and pray for those who do not yet know Christ?

What caused some of those who were with Jesus to withdraw and leave? What were their motives in following Jesus in the first place?

Thursday – Begin the day in prayer; meditate on the memory verse.

Read John 6:67-69.

How many people are following Jesus at the beginning of Chapter 6 and at the end of Chapter 6?

What does Peter's response to Jesus show us about his understanding of Christ? What 2 things does he claim of Jesus? (v. 68-69)

Why did Peter not follow in the footsteps of those in verse 66 and how does this keep us encouraged when we see others walk away from Christ?

How does Peter's claim that Jesus has the words of “eternal life” connect back to verse 63?

Where are places that you are tempted to try to find understanding other than Christ?

Friday – Begin the day in prayer; meditate on the memory verse.

Read John 6:70-71.

What does Jesus reiterate about his role in salvation? (v. 70)

In verse 66, we see people who followed Jesus for a time, completely abandon and stop following Him. Who does John show will do the same? (v. 70)

Why does John include this in this chapter? (v.71)

How would God end up using the betrayal of Judas for His glory?