

The Eternal Word

Week 19: This is a Hard Saying

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1. Jesus gives His diagnosis of the superficial followers

John 6:41-49, John 6:47-49, Ephesians 2:1-3, Romans 3:9-12, Psalm 51:5

“To make complaining remarks or noises under ones breath”

“I Am the bread come down from heaven”

“Is not this Jesus, the son of Joseph, whose Father and mother we know?”

No one can come to me unless the Father who sent me draws him. And I will raise him up on the last day.

- Whoever believes in Him has eternal life because He is the bread of life
- They are spiritually dead like their ancestors were physically dead
- Your fathers died because Moses cannot save. My Father is the only one who can save

An evil society is like fertilizer that gives the sinful nature of man the nutrients it needs to produce an abundant harvest of unrighteousness

2. Jesus writes the prescription for their healing

John 6:51b-56, John 6:61, John 6:63, Matthew 10:34, John 14:6, John 15:18-20, John 6:60

“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 you.

“This is a hard saying; who can listen to it?”

“The preaching of the Word of God always leads to a sifting of the hearts of the listeners. God draws sinners to the Savior through the power of truth, His Word. Those who reject the Word will reject the Savior. Those who receive the Word will receive the Savior and experience the new birth, eternal life.”

-The Bible Exposition Commentary

There is a real time of testing coming for believers. The pressure is going to increase in the coming days for Christians to compromise their commitment to the clarity and authority of Scripture.

3. The true disciples receive the cure

John 6:66, John 6:67-69, John 6:70-71, John 6:69

“To be a genuine disciple you have to know who Jesus is and you have to trust Him completely”

-Christ-Centered Exposition