



LESSON 7

Chapter 6:60-71

⁶⁰When Jesus' followers heard this, many of them said, "This teaching is hard. Who can accept it?"

⁶¹Jesus already knew that his followers were complaining about this. So he said, "Is this teaching a problem for you? ⁶²Then what will you think when you see the *Son of Man* going up to where he came from? ⁶³It is the Spirit that gives life. The body is of no value for that. But the things I have told you are from the Spirit, so they give life. ⁶⁴But some of you don't believe." (Jesus knew the people who did not believe. He knew this from the beginning. And he knew the one who would turn against him.) ⁶⁵Jesus said, "That is why I said, 'Anyone the Father does not help to come to me cannot come.'"

⁶⁶After Jesus said these things, many of his followers left and stopped following him.

⁶⁷Jesus asked the twelve *apostles*, "Do you want to leave too?"

⁶⁸Simon Peter answered him, "Lord, where would we go? You have the words that give eternal life. ⁶⁹We believe in you. We know that you are the Holy One from God."

⁷⁰Then Jesus answered, "I chose all twelve of you. But one of you is a devil." ⁷¹He was talking about Judas, the son of Simon Iscariot. Judas was one of the twelve apostles, but later he would turn against Jesus.

NEW WORDS?

accept

complaining

devil

LET'S PRACTICE!

How does Jesus respond when the followers say that his teaching is hard? Was he surprised?

Why do many of his followers choose to stop following him?

Why do the twelve apostles choose to keep following Jesus, even when they know that following him will be hard?