

The WORDS of ETERNAL LIFE

AUGUST 5, 2026
WEDNESDAY NIGHT BIBLE STUDY

JOHN 6:41-71

THEME: Jesus alone has the Words of Eternal Life.
Salvation, satisfaction, and eternal hope are found only in Him.



INTRODUCTION

Last week we learned to seek the Giver rather than the gift. The crowds followed Jesus for more bread, but Jesus wanted them to believe in Him as the Bread of Life. This week we discover that eternal life is found in Christ alone.

1 JOHN 6:41-42 | THE JEWS GRUMBLE

They complained because Jesus claimed to be the Bread from Heaven. They focused on His earthly family and rejected His message.

APPLICATION: Don't allow familiarity or unbelief to keep you from recognizing who Jesus truly is.



2 JOHN 6:43-44 | THE FATHER DRAWS

Salvation begins with God. No one comes to Jesus unless the Father draws them through the Holy Spirit.

APPLICATION: The Holy Spirit works WITH, IN, and UPON us.



3 JOHN 6:45 | GOD'S WORD POINTS TO CHRIST

Jesus reminded them that the prophets had already spoken of Him (Isaiah 54:13; Jeremiah 31:33-34).

APPLICATION: God's Word always confirms God's work.



4 JOHN 6:46 | JESUS REVEALS THE FATHER

Only Jesus has seen the Father because He came from God. No one can see God and live.

APPLICATION: If you want to know God, look to Jesus.



5 JOHN 6:47 | SALVATION IS SIMPLE

Jesus makes it clear: Whoever believes in Him has eternal life.

APPLICATION: Eternal life is received through faith, not works.



6 JOHN 6:48-52 | THE TRUE BREAD

Manna in the wilderness could not give eternal life. Jesus is the true Bread from Heaven who gives life through His coming sacrifice.

APPLICATION: The cross is God's provision for the whole world.



7 JOHN 6:53-58 | COMMUNION

Jesus spoke about eating His flesh and drinking His blood. This points us to Communion—a remembrance of His sacrifice on the cross (1 Corinthians 11:23-26).

APPLICATION: Communion proclaims Christ's death until He comes again.



8 JOHN 6:59 | SPEAKING TRUTH

Jesus boldly taught difficult truths in the synagogue.

APPLICATION: Speak God's truth faithfully and lovingly.

9 JOHN 6:60-63 | HARD TEACHINGS

Even some disciples grumbled because His words were difficult.

APPLICATION: God's truth remains true even when it challenges us.



10 JOHN 6:64-65 | JESUS KNOWS EVERY HEART

Jesus already knew who would reject Him and who would betray Him, yet He continued to love them.

APPLICATION: God's knowledge of us never limits His love for us.



11 JOHN 6:66 | MANY TURN AWAY

Many disciples stopped following Jesus because His teaching was difficult.

APPLICATION: Genuine faith continues even when obedience is costly.



12 JOHN 6:67-69 | PETER'S GREAT CONFESSION

Peter declared, "Lord, to whom shall we go?"

You have the words of eternal life."

Peter believed and knew Jesus as the Holy One of God.

APPLICATION: There is no substitute for Jesus Christ.



13 JOHN 6:70-71 | JUDAS

Judas was one of the Twelve, yet he betrayed Jesus.

OUTWARD association is not the same as GENUINE faith.

APPLICATION: Examine your heart before the Lord.

KEY TAKEAWAYS



The Holy Spirit draws people to Christ.



Jesus alone gives eternal life.



Stay faithful when God's Word challenges you.



Continue proclaiming the truth with love.



There is nowhere else to go but Jesus.



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1. Jesus said, "Whoever _____ in Me has eternal life."
2. Peter declared, "Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of _____."



CHALLENGE QUESTION

Many people stopped following Jesus because His teaching was difficult (John 6:66). What is one truth from God's Word that challenges you today, and how can trusting Christ help you obey it?