

## **Do You Follow Jesus? John 6:60-66**

Many look for Jesus today, but perception is incorrect.

Many good, sincere folks searching for Jesus pictured in mind

Some found "Jesus" they looked for, but not Jesus of Bible

There is only one Jesus, not whatever you want Him to be - **Hebrews 13:8**

**John 6** people want a "Jesus" after their own hearts

Several events happened between **John 5 & 6 - Matthew 5-14:12; Mark 2-6:30; Luke 6-9:10**

Sermon on the Mount **Matthew 5**

Centurion's servant healed **Matthew 8**

Withered hand healed **Matthew 12**

Multitudes healed **Mark 3**

Calms the Storm **Matthew 8**

Demoniac healed **Matthew 12**

Gerasene demoniacs **Matthew 8**

Jarius' daughter raised **Matthew 9**

Nain widow's son raised **Luke 7**

Apostles selected **Luke 6**

Ministry of the Twelve **Matthew 10**

Invitation to rest **Matthew 11**

Kingdom parables **Matthew 13**

5,000+ fed **John 6**

They believe have found Jesus for whom have been looking

Many today are like Jews in **John 6**

### **They're Starting In Right Direction John 6:1-5**

The Jews have their eyes upon Jesus 2

Religious folks like that today, talk about Jesus, read His word

They do religious things, hoping to honor Jesus.

The Jews are pleased with what Jesus has done **2,13**

Our denominational friends are like that today.

They enjoy Jesus' providential care appreciate food they eat.

They are thankful for this redemptive work.

The Jews are acknowledging Jesus as "that prophet."

Our friends & neighbors are like that today.

They do not deny his incarnation, confess Jesus is the Christ.

They believe Jesus came to save sinners.

### **Their Perception Was Distorted John 6:15**

They thought had found the Jesus for whom they were looking.

To heal them when sick, feed them when hungry.

To keep them from dying, defeat their enemies - Romans.

To tell them what they wanted to hear. People haven't changed.

They wanted to make Jesus their king - bread-king, warring-king, doctor-king

Folks have the same thoughts today.

They were all confused about Jesus - **John 6:26-27**

Jesus was proving His deity - **John 20:30-31; John 6:36; John 6:28-29**

They are talking about meritorious works - **Galatians 2:15-16**

Jesus is talking about work of faith - **Romans 1:5**

They didn't know what God had done.

They thought Moses had given them the manna **30-34**

God had now given them true manna.

Seem to compare Jesus (5,000+) with Moses (2,000,000).

They didn't know what Jesus could do - **John 6:35**

Folks looking for security, love, self-esteem, & purpose.

Jesus could give access to Father - **John 6:45-46; John 14:6; 1Timothy 2:5**

Jesus could give eternal life - **John 6:40**

### **There Was No Dedication**

Jesus demands dedication, determination, devotion & death - **Galatians 2:20; Matthew 10:38-40**

Jesus demands that He be the core of our very being

Jesus must be our spiritual sustenance - **John 6:54**

We feed upon Jesus by feeding upon His word - **John 6:63**

Our lives must revolve around Jesus.

Jesus must be our everything - **Revelation 2:10**

### **Their End Was Desertion**

They didn't like what they heard - **John 6:60**

Jesus' teaching too demanding, too challenging, too direct

Same today. **John 6** separates the boys from the men.

They didn't want to follow Jesus anymore - **John 6:66; 2Peter 2:21**

Jesus was even concerned about His close disciples **67-69**

Sadly, one did desert **70-71**

### **Many who find Jesus will not follow Him**

He does not fit their idea, looking for a fictitious Jesus.

There is only one Jesus.

He is loving yet demanding.

He is kind yet awesome.

He is merciful yet stern.

He died for us, yet He will judge us.

Give your life to the Jesus of the Bible.

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