

**The Reasons Some People Are Offended by Christ,  
the Bread of Life  
John 06:59–71**

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| <p><b>1. <i>The disturbing message of Jesus to the synagogue crowd</i></b></p> <p>a. Many disciples were present</p> <p>b. The disciples had difficulty accepting His message</p> <p><b>2. <i>The idea of eating Jesus' flesh and drinking His blood, vv. 51-56</i></b></p> <p><b>3. <i>The ascension and exaltation of Christ</i></b></p> <p><b>4. <i>The teaching that the Spirit quickens or gives life and that the flesh counts for nothing</i></b></p> <p>a. Some did not believe</p> <p>b. Some plotted to betray Him</p> <p><b>5. <i>The fact that God saves man, that man does not save himself</i></b></p> <p><b>6. <i>The conclusion: There were three responses</i></b></p> <p>a. The disciples who turned back</p> | <p>59 He said this while teaching in the synagogue in Capernaum.</p> <p>60 On hearing it, many of his disciples said, "This is a hard teaching. Who can accept it?"</p> <p>61 Aware that his disciples were grumbling about this, Jesus said to them, "Does this offend you?"</p> <p>62 What if you see the Son of Man ascend to where he was before!</p> <p>63 The Spirit gives life; the flesh counts for nothing. The words I have spoken to you are spirit and they are life.</p> <p>64 Yet there are some of you who do not believe." For Jesus had known from the beginning which of them did not believe and who would betray him.</p> <p>65 He went on to say, "This is why I told you that no one can come to me unless the Father has enabled him."</p> <p>66 From this time many of his disciples turned back and no longer followed him.</p> <p>67 "You do not want to leave too, do you?" Jesus asked the Twelve.</p> |
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<p>b. The disciple who believed Jesus was the Christ</p> <p>c. The disciple who betrayed Christ</p>	<p>68 Simon Peter answered him, “Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life.</p> <p>69 We believe and know that you are the Holy One of God.”</p> <p>70 Then Jesus replied, “Have I not chosen you, the Twelve? Yet one of you is a devil!”</p> <p>71 (He meant Judas, the son of Simon Iscariot, who, though one of the Twelve, was later to betray him.)</p>
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