

# A Double Disappointment

John 6:66-71

Introduction:

- A. We are disappointed when our expectations are not met.
  - 1. We may have unreasonable and faulty expectations.
  - 2. We may have reasonable and legitimate expectations.
- B. We read in our text of a double disappointment — both Jesus and disciples.

Discussion:

## I. Many Disciples Became Disappointed in Jesus (v. 66).

- A. Some expected a *political* savior (v. 15).
  - 1. Had been under foreign occupation for many years.
  - 2. Jesus' did not come to set up a political kingdom (John 18:36).
  - 3. People still expect the church to be a political tool.
- B. Some expected a *physical* savior (v. 2, 26).
  - 1. Christ did not come to relieve the world of poverty (cf. Mt. 26;11).
  - 2. Christ did not come to relieve the world of hunger and disease.
  - 3. People still expect his church to have a physical mission:
    - a. Disappointed when it is not a social-welfare center.
    - b. Disappointed when it is not in hospital and nursing home business.
    - c. Disappointed when it is not a "family life center" or "community center."
- C. Some expected a *spiritual* savior and were *not* disappointed (v. 68).
  - 1. "Words of eternal life" is most important (v. 27).
  - 2. "Words of eternal life" is the church's business (cf. 1 Tim. 3:15)
  - 3. "Words of eternal life" only found in Lord and his church — other things elsewhere.

## II. Jesus Became Disappointed in Many of His Disciples (v. 67).

- A. He had a right to expect their loyalty.
  - 1. He had taught them.
  - 2. He had performed for them (vv. 2, 14; cf. Matt. 9:5,6).
- B. He still has the right to expect our loyalty.
  - 1. He loved us enough to die for us (Eph. 5:2, 25).
  - 2. He has taught us (Heb. 1:1,2).
  - 3. He is our Lord and king (Acts 2:36; Rev. 17:14).

Discussion:

- A. Come to Christ and His church expecting the wrong things will be disappointed.
- B. Come to Christ and His church and be faithful — will not be disappointed.