

SERMON OUTLINE/NOTES

"Words of Life, Words of Death" **John 6:60-64 (John 6:60-71)**

Introduction

- Review
- Jesus Spoke metaphorical words of Life; but were heard as words of death

Words of Life became Words of Death (vs. 60-71)

- To the Larger group of disciples Jesus' words were words of death (v. 60-64)
 - Not true believers in Jesus Christ
 - ". . . an hard saying, Who can hear it?" (v. 60; Psalm 25:9)
 - Hardened and rebellious hearts declared Jesus' "saying" hard; that is, not practical, nonsensical and disgusting
 - Jesus knew their hearts (v. 61; John 2:24-25)
 - Jesus' ascension back to Heaven would prove He came from Heaven as the Bread of Life (v. 62)
 - Jesus explains His "saying" was a spiritual word of life spoken in figurative terms (v. 63; Romans 8:2; 1 Corinthians 15:45; 2 Corinthians 3:6)
 - Jesus spoke sweet smelling words of life; but to the unbeliever, they are words of death (v. 64; 2 Corinthians 2:16)
 - Not mixed with faith (Hebrews 2:16)
 - Truth will seem hard to hear when not heard with ears of faith – incomprehensible, nonsensical and impractical – not to be heard or believed

Conclusion and Application (v. 59)

- Will you hear the sweet smelling word of the Gospel of Jesus Christ with faith? If so, His word will be sweet smelling word unto life, everlasting life (1 Thessalonians 5:9).
- OR
- Will you hear His sweet smelling word in disbelief, without faith, declaring it impossible or nonsensical? If so, God's sweet smelling Gospel word revealed in the Bible will be a sweet smelling word of death, everlasting death; forever separated from the only true and living Triune God in the everlasting torment of Hell.