



# Daily Reflections

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## Scripture

### **John 6: 60-69**

Many of the disciples of Jesus who were listening said,  
"This saying is hard; who can accept it?"

Since Jesus knew that his disciples were murmuring about this,  
he said to them, "Does this shock you?

What if you were to see the Son of Man ascending to where he was before?  
It is the Spirit that gives life, while the flesh is of no avail.

The words I have spoken to you are Spirit and life.

But there are some of you who do not believe."

Jesus knew from the beginning the ones who would not believe  
and the one who would betray him.

And he said, "For this reason I have told you that no one can come to me  
unless it is granted him by my Father."

As a result of this,

many of his disciples returned to their former way of life  
and no longer walked with him.

Jesus then said to the Twelve, "Do you also want to leave?"

Simon Peter answered him, "Master, to whom shall we go?

You have the words of eternal life.

We have come to believe

and are convinced that you are the Holy One of God."

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## Our Scripture Reflection

"Master, to whom shall we go...": I wonder if Peter really knew how profoundly true his words to Jesus were? It seems that in this life we arrogantly settle for opinion when our hearts long for Truth. So many people have turned away from His words because they want a quick, easy fix to life's problems with little to no commitment. To know Jesus and to love Him requires a life-long commitment. The true disciple is one who lives the way of Jesus in the good times and the bad. It's over the long haul of life that we come to see and know Him as our Lord and Savior.

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## **Food for your Journey**

When we get our spiritual house in order, we'll be dead. This goes on. You arrive at enough certainty to be able to make your way, but it is making it in darkness. Don't expect faith to clear things up for you. It is trust, not certainty.

--Flannery O'Connor, "Letter to Louise Abbott," in *The Habit of Being: Letters of Flannery O'Connor* (Macmillan, 1988), 354.

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## **A Prayer from the Heart**

Dear God, I always manage to invest my time and effort in those things I think are of value. Believing In Jesus is the most important investment that I will ever make in this life. It's the only investment that makes possible a life that will never end in Heaven. Help me to live His way not with the expectation of short-term gain, but rather, so that I may experience a Peace this world can never give. Amen