

Walk This Way
Doubt
John 6:60-68

INTRODUCTION In a time when religious leaders and a religious system made it increasingly complicated to connect with God, the resurrection changed everything. The emerging Easter movement would be characterized by people who the Apostle Paul encouraged to 'walk by the Spirit.' This refreshing and simple invitation guides our steps still today.

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

1. What was your hardest subject at school? How did you get through it?
2. Share a question about faith that either caused you to doubt in the past or is a question you wonder about today?
3. Pastor Jon mentioned in the message that "if you wait to have all your questions answered before following Jesus, you'll get insight right after you die because on this side of eternity there are just some things that you may never understand." Is this good news or bad news? Why?
4. Read John 6 60-68
 - Why did some disciples turn away from Jesus? Note: *disciples* in this context refers to the crowd of followers, not the twelve.
 - Jesus asks a rhetorical question in vs 62. How would you say the same thing today to someone who has doubts? What is his point?
 - Vs 65 sounds like God has a hand in who believes and who does not believe. Do you think this is true universally or just in this case alone? Why does it matter?
5. Jesus asks his closest followers, "Do you also wish to go away?" What would have happened if they decided to leave Jesus at this point? In other words, without knowing it at the time, what was at stake for them?
6. *Simon Peter answered him, "Lord, to whom can we go? You have the words of eternal life."* Pastor Jon shared in his message that, like Peter did, when you have doubts consider the options. What does this mean to you?
7. The issue is not if we have doubts, its what we do with our doubts. The answer is this; we carry them with us as we follow and as we believe and as we obey. What burden or doubt can this group pray for with you?

KEEPING IN STEP We tend to experience doubts when following God costs us something or when God does something that we consider to be out of line with His character. Since all of us experience doubt at some point, the issue becomes how to deal with our doubt. God desires that we bring our questions and fears to Him.