STUDIES FROM THE DESIRE OF AGES

Chapter XLI - "The Crisis in Galilee"

- A. Read John 6:1-15. What was the turning point in the ministry of Jesus? Is this turning point noted in the Gospel of John as well?
- B. Why didn't Christ soften the directness of His message in order to make it easier for people to accept it?
- C. What does it mean to eat the flesh and drink the blood of Jesus? How does this aid our understanding of the Lord's Supper?
- D. How is God calling you to "overcome as Christ overcame"? What specific steps in this direction can you take today?

Additional Thoughts

- 1. What would have caused the people to stay by Jesus?
- 2. Would the religious leaders in Christ's day have recognized that those who lived in Moses' day did not follow Moses and then claim that they (those in Christ's day) would have followed Moses and were now doing just that? How can we make sure today that we would have followed Jesus in his day?
- 3. Be prepared to discuss the statement of Jesus, "I am the bread of life," in the context of the understanding of the people then.
- 4. Why did Jesus not defend His Divinity, His Birth, or His Miracles?
- 5. Explain the following: What food is to the body, Christ is to the soul.
- 6. On page 390 there is a good method given for Bible study. Be ready to discuss it. (Does this sound familiar after Net '98?
- 7. What is the real meaning of these words: "This is a hard saying; who can hear it?"
- 8. Those who left Jesus at this time fell in with a certain group. What kind of people were they?
- 9. From this reading, one might get the idea that Jesus may have almost caused this crisis by giving the food for them to eat. If this is true, why did He do it?
- 10. Personal views: Please list a favorite section or some new thought from the reading.