

## ***“Men Drawn to Faith in Christ”***

John 6:41-47

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Christ calls sinful men to trust in saving mercy

### **1. Unbelief Stumbles at Christ’s Colossal Claims**

vv. 41-42

#### **(1) They grumble and complain about Jesus**

*“Then the Jews complained about Him, because He said, ‘I am the bread which came down from heaven.’”*

#### **(2) His heavenly origin rejected**

#### **(3) They are taken up with His humble earthly origin**

*“Is not this Jesus, the son of Joseph, whose father and mother we know?”*

- A divinely powerful teaching

*Therefore everyone who has heard and learned from the Father comes to Me.”*

- teaching impressed upon the heart  
by the Spirit of God!

- truth indelibly written upon the heart by the Spirit of God

-“Hearing” the Father, and “learning” from the Father

#### **-3- An Appeal to believe 47**

*“Most assuredly, I say to you, he who believes in Me has everlasting life.”*

- No contradiction between *sovereign grace*  
and the *free offer* of the gospel!

### **2. The Savior’s Counsel**

vv. 43-47

#### **(1) A Warning against murmuring in unbelief (43)**

*“Do not murmur among yourselves.”*

#### **(2) A Call to Trust in Saving Mercy (44-47)**

##### **-1- Man’s Inability (because of his sin!) 44a**

*“No one can come to Me unless...”*

-“come to Me” = “believe in Me”

- Man left to his own sin will not believe!

##### **-2- A Divine Work Necessary! 44b-45**

*“...unless the Father who sent Me draws him, and I will raise him up at the last day.”*

##### **[1] The Father’s efficacious “drawing”**

-“draw” or “drag” as a fisherman’s net

- cf. vv. 64-65

- drawn by the working and power of the Spirit of God

##### **[2] The Father’s efficacious teaching**

*“It is written in the prophets, ‘And they shall all be taught by God.’”*

### **Further Application**