

SERMON NOTES

SERMON DATE: **Sunday, August 2, 2020**
SERMON TITLE: **Will You Also Go Away?**
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BIBLE TEXT: **2 Timothy 4:10**

Introduction:

John 6:58-67 An interesting passage of Jesus feeding the multitudes. While doing so, He explains to them what they need is 'eternal food', not merely physical food – and that He was the bread of life. It was a difficult truth for some to swallow – even some of his followers, many of whom chose to walk away from Jesus. Jesus then asks his disciples: **Will You Also Go Away?**

This sermon focuses on a person named **Demas** – one who walked away from Jesus.

What do we lose when we walk away from Jesus?

1. The Alliance of Fellowship

1 John 1:3-6

"That which we have seen and heard declare we unto you, that ye also may have fellowship with us: and truly our fellowship is with the Father, and with his Son Jesus Christ. And these things write we unto you, that your joy may be full. This then is the message which we have heard of him, and declare unto you, that God is light, and in him is no darkness at all. If we say that we have fellowship with him, and walk in darkness, we lie, and do not the truth:"

2 Relationships with God that are considered in 1 John:

- I. **The Relationship of SONSHIP**
- II. **The Relationship of FELLOWSHIP**

2. The Appropriation of Opportunities

Demas chose to leave Paul, being wrapped up with material things.

Lot (of the Old Testament) wanted both earthly **and** heavenly things. His problem was that he was IN the world and the world was IN him.

Proverbs 20:17 – *The bread of deceit is sweet but afterward a man's mouth is filled with gravel.*

A man's focus determines his future.

Demas lost his opportunity to

- Lead people to Jesus
- Mentor other believers
- Minister with the greatest Christian ever lived – Paul

Loving the world will eventually rip it all away from you.

3. The Accumulation of Rewards

Matthew 6:19-21 – “Lay not up for yourselves treasures upon earth, where moth and rust doth corrupt, and where thieves break through and steal: But lay up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust doth corrupt, and where thieves do not break through nor steal: For where your treasure is, there will your heart be also.”

Many earthly millionaires will be heavenly paupers; and many earthly paupers will be heavenly millionaires.

Read Matthew 16:27

Conclusion: *Jesus did not save us to simply start the race: He saved us to finish the race*

John 4:34 – *My meat is to do the will of him that sent me, and to finish his work.*