

“What ‘Lures’ You?”

Based on John 6:43-47 (NIV)

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John 6:43-44a

43 "Stop grumbling among yourselves," Jesus answered.

44 "No one can come to me unless the Father who sent me draws him, ..."

† John the writer uses the Greek word for “draw”, **helkuein**, and this word implies some kind of **resistance**.

† God expects to get some **resistance** from me when He finally “**hooks**” me.

John 6:44a - "No one can come to me unless the Father who sent me draws him, ..."

† There are many “**lures**” out there for me to follow:

- The lure of **success**.
- The lure of **popularity**.
- The lure of **money**.
- The lure of _____ .

(Fill in my lure)

† Only God gives me the **real** thing, Jesus Christ.

† The rest are **artificial** lures.

John 6:45-47

45 It is written in the Prophets: ‘They will all be taught by God.’ Everyone who listens to the Father and learns from him comes to me.

46 No one has seen the Father except the one who is from God; only he has seen the Father.

47 I tell you the truth, he who believes has everlasting life.”

† “**All**,” everyone, is **taught** by God, but not everyone **follows**.

† I need to listen to God and **learn** so that I may reach my **full potential**.

Applying Today’s Message to My Life:

† What artificial “lures” have I chased in my life?

† Do I listen to God? How?

† Do I take the next step and learn from what God is telling me? How?

† When have I been a “Johnny one-note” and only focused on one teaching from God and not the other teachings in the Bible?

† What is one way this week that I can give less resistance to God’s pull (God’s “draw”) in my life?