



Jesus In Action
Series: Gospel of John, #14
John 6:1-21
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Question: **How does Jesus relate to those who follow Him?**

Jesus cares and acts to meet their needs.

1. For casual and committed followers. (2, 16-21)
2. For spiritual and physical needs. (5, 18-19; Mark 6:34)

Jesus provides generously.

1. At the cost of His own comfort. (Matthew 14:13; Mark 6:31)
2. Beyond what is required. (11-12, 21)

Jesus stretches people and involves us in His work.

1. Jesus stretches our thinking and faith. (5-9; see also Luke 9:12-13)
2. Jesus involves us in His work. (5-13)

Jesus cannot be hijacked to our agenda.

1. While Jesus cares and meets our needs, His own purposes and plans remain firm. (14-15)
2. Note: In trying to force Jesus to fulfill our agenda we can lose what we want, need and what He offers. (14-15)

In My Life This Week

As you use this daily guide, write out your observations and responses on a separate piece of paper and save them with this sheet for reference.

Monday. In the first half of John 6 we see *Jesus In Action* and some of how He relates to those who follow Him. The first aspect we noted yesterday was that Jesus cares and acts to meet His followers' needs. Review the verses noted in the outline. Do you have a conscious sense of Jesus' caring for you? Write out some specifics of His care recently as well as your feelings about it.

Tuesday. Jesus provides generously. He provides more than what is required and, when He was on earth, at the cost of His own comfort. Review the verses and incidents from the outline. Think of times and ways that are unmistakable acts of Jesus' generosity to care for you. Thank Him for them. Remember, He does not change—what He has done, He will continue to do.

Wednesday. Just as with the disciples, Jesus stretches our thinking and faith. Reflect on how He caused the disciples to think and stretch in these events. It was then that He also involved them in His work. How do you respond to the unusual, impossible sounding situations where God may be trying to stretch your faith so He can use you in His service?

Thursday. The last point we noted on Sunday was that Jesus cannot be hijacked to our agenda. In fact, if we try to do that we can lose what we want and need. As you review 6:14-15, begin to look for times and things in which you have put your perspective and desires ahead of God's purposes and plans. Ask God to help you learn the joy of living under His purposes.

Friday – Saturday. On Sunday we plan to look at 6:22-40 and *Jesus, the Bread of Life*. Read that passage in preparation for our time together.