

Jesus, the Bread of Life Series: the Gospel of John (#15) John 6:22-40 Pastor Lyle L. Wahl July 2, 2023

Surveying the setting.

- 1. The day before. (6:1-20).
- 2. This day. (22-26)

Surveying the flow of events.

- 1. Jesus exposes inadequate motives and points to the correct motive for those who seek Him. (26-27)
- 2. Jesus clarifies the way to be true followers." (28-29)
- 3. The people ask for more signs. (30-31)
- 4. Jesus declares that He is the Bread of Life. (32-35)
- 5. The people did not believe. (36)
- 6. Jesus proclaims that He came from heaven to give Himself, the Bread of God, the Bread of life to those who come to Him. (37-40)

Surveying three vital truths.

- 1. Life with God is His gift not earned. (27-29, 33, 35-36; see also John 3:16, 4:10; Romans 3:20; 6:23; Ephesians 2:8-9; 2 Timothy 1:9)
- 2. Life with God is in Jesus by personal faith in Him—not in anyone or anything else. (29, 32-33, 35-37; 14:6; Acts 4:12; Romans 10:13)
- 3. Life with God is eternal life—not hypothetically eternal, not temporary, not probationary or conditional. (27, 37-40; see also 3:16; 4:13-14; 5:24; 10:10, 25-30; 11:25-26; Romans 8:28-39)

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. Jesus is the Bread of Life. Read John 6:22-40 slowly. Remember this took place the day after the miracles of Jesus feeding the crowds and walking on stormy waters to the disciples. Follow the flow of Jesus' interaction with the crowd.

Tuesday. The first truth from these events we focused on was that life with God is His gift, it is not earned. How do you explain this to people who don't know Christ, to people who say they are as good as most people and so are okay with God?

Wednesday. The second truth we looked at was that life with God is in Jesus by personal faith in Him, not in anyone or anything else. Do you interact with people who believe there are other ways? What does this section of Scripture teach you to help you answer that thinking?

Thursday. The last truth we looked at was that life with God is eternal. It is not hypothetically eternal, not temporary, not probationary or conditional. Review the references listed in the outline on this point. How does this truth affect you?

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