

I AM THE BREAD OF LIFE

John 6:30-40

Key Verse: 35

I. True bread from heaven (30-34)

John 6:30-34 (NIV2011)

³⁰So they asked him, "What sign then will you give that we may see it and believe you? What will you do?"

³¹Our ancestors ate the manna in the wilderness; as it is written: 'He gave them bread from heaven to eat.'"

³²Jesus said to them, "Very truly I tell you, it is not Moses who has given you the bread from heaven, but it is my Father who gives you the true bread from heaven.

³³"For the bread of God is the bread that comes down from heaven and gives life to the world."

³⁴"Sir," they said, "always give us this bread."

A. The Bread of Life: The Source of Spiritual Satisfaction, 6:30-36

1. The people demanded proof (30-31)
 - a. Jesus' great claim, 27-29 (30)
 - b. The specific proof demanded (31)
2. Christ is the true bread (32)
 - a. Man cannot provide true bread: satisfaction (32a)
 - b. God alone provides true bread: true satisfaction (32b)
3. Christ is the Bread of God (33)
 - a. He came from heaven (33a)
 - b. He gives life (33b)
4. Christ is the Bread of Life (34-35)
 - a. The request for the Bread of God (34)

II. Jesus is the true bread (35-40)

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³⁵Then Jesus declared, "I am the bread of life. Whoever comes to me will never go hungry, and whoever believes in me will never be thirsty.

³⁶But as I told you, you have seen me and still you do not believe.

- b. The phenomenal claim – I am the bread of life (35a)
- c. If man comes to Jesus, he will never hunger (35b)
- d. If man believes, he will never thirst (35c)
5. Christ was seen, but rejected (36)

Man never has enough. He craves and craves, never being fully satisfied. He experiences continuous hunger, restlessness, emptiness, loneliness, and a lack of purpose, meaning, and significance. But God sent Jesus Christ to offer the ultimate satisfaction. If one believes in Jesus, he will never hunger or thirst. Jesus is the true source of spiritual satisfaction, of man's spiritual nourishment. He is the only Bread that can feed man's great hunger, the hunger that gnaws and gnaws within his inner being. There is no other source upon which man can feed and be nourished.

³⁷All those the Father gives me will come to me, and whoever comes to me I will never drive away.

³⁸For I have come down from heaven not to do my will but to do the will of him who sent me.

³⁹And this is the will of him who sent me, that I shall lose none of all those he has given me, but raise them up at the last day.

⁴⁰For my Father's will is that everyone who looks to the Son and believes in him shall have eternal life, and I will raise them up at the last day."

B. The Assurance of the Believer, 6:37-40

1. Assurance 1: God's predestination (37a)
2. Assurance 2: Jesus' Word of security (37b)
3. Assurance 3: Jesus' purpose—to do God's will (38)
4. Assurance 4: God's will for those whom He gives to Christ (39)
 - a. That Jesus should not lose a single one (39a)
 - b. That Jesus should resurrect every one (39b)
5. Assurance 5: God's will for the believer (40)
 - a. Is eternal life (40a)
 - b. Result: Jesus "will raise him up" (40b)

In Christ, we will never hunger or thirst because of 5 reasons – God's predestination, Jesus' security, God's will for those whom He gives to Christ, and God's will for the believer. The Father gives, the Son preserves, and we come to Jesus. We are secured, safe, protected, and blessed. We give glory to God and our Lord Jesus.

Prayer: Father, thank you for Jesus, the true bread of life. Because of him, we will never hunger or thirst again

One Word: Jesus the Bread of Life

Testimony Topics:

- a. Why is Jesus your bread of life?**
- b. How can you be sure of your salvation?**