

GOSPEL OF JOHN

Lesson #4 – I Am the Bread of Life

Scripture Reading: John 6:47-51

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Introduction:

1. We all know the importance of having physical nourishment.
2. We can be spiritually hungry and not realize it. Jesus gives us spiritual nourishment.

Proposition: Jesus is our source of spiritual nourishment.

Interrogative: How is Jesus our spiritual nourishment?

Transition: Jesus is able to nourish us spiritually because...

I. HE IS THE TRUE MANNA

- A. COMPARED TO THE FIVE LOAVES AND TWO FISH -6:1-14
 1. The multitude sought Jesus because they were filled with bread –6:26
 2. Jesus elevates their thinking -6:27
 - a. Labor for the food which endures to everlasting life.
 - b. The seal – God commissioned Jesus as the Messiah.
- B. COMPARED TO THE MANNA OF OLD
 1. The physical manna – Ex 16
 - a. They were to gather one omer (about 3 pints) per person per day.
 - b. On the sixth day they were to gather twice as much.
 2. This bread perishes -6:27, 49-50
 3. Jesus is the Living Bread – 6:51

II. HE IS THE TRUE SATISFACTION

- A. JESUS IS THE BREAD OF LIFE
 1. No one hungers or thirst who believes in Him -6:35
 2. Perpetual refreshing of the soul -6:35 –ref. Jn 4:13-14
- B. SOME REJECT JESUS AS THE BREAD OF LIFE
 1. Some question, “Isn’t this Joseph’s son?” -6:42
 2. The Father draws them to Him -6:43-44
 - a. This does not support “irresistible grace”.
 - b. Man is called by the gospel -2Th 2:14. Man is taught by the word –Ro 10:17
 3. Man is taught by God -6:45
 - a. The Jews were God’s people by birth.
 - b. God’s people (Christians) are taught first then born again.

III. HE IS THE TRUE FEAST -6:51-58

- A. THE JEWS MISUNDERSTAND -6:52
 1. Eating flesh & drinking blood were offensive to the Jews
 2. Life is in the blood –Le 17:11
 3. Incident in the days of King Saul -1Sa 14

B. THE MEANING

1. His flesh is given for man upon the cross -1Co 15:3-4
2. Feasting on His word, having faith in Him, and obedience to His will

Conclusion:

1. Many disciples could not understand and followed Him no more -6:66-69
2. What is our answer today?