

# Who is Jesus

## The Bread of Life

### Points to Consider

1. You Don't Always Have to "Get it" to Believe it
2. You Must Believe in Him to Get it
3. Once You Get it, Eat and Drink

### You Don't Always Have to "Get it" to Believe it

**John 6:60-66** *Therefore many of His disciples, when they heard this, said, "This is a hard saying; who can understand it?" 61 When Jesus knew in Himself that His disciples complained about this, He said to them, "Does this offend you? 62 What then if you should see the Son of Man ascend where He was before? 63 It is the Spirit who gives life; the flesh profits nothing. The words that I speak to you are spirit, and they are life. 64 But there are some of you who do not believe." For Jesus knew from the beginning who they were who did not believe, and who would betray Him. 65 And He said, "Therefore I have said to you that no one can come to Me unless it has been granted to him by My Father." 66 From that time many of His disciples went back and walked with Him no more.*

Jesus' \_\_\_\_\_ did not understand what He was saying. They simply didn't get it.

These are people who had been walking with Jesus.

These are people who saw the \_\_\_\_\_ Jesus performed.

These are people who ate the physical bread He provided.

### Why Don't Some People Get it?

**John 6:26-27** *Jesus answered them and said, "Most assuredly, I say to you, you seek Me, not because you saw the signs, but because you ate of the loaves and were filled. 27 Do not labor for the food which perishes, but for the food which endures to everlasting life, which the Son of Man will give you, because God the Father has set His seal on Him." NKJV*

*Some people don't get it because they are focusing on the \_\_\_\_\_ things.*

The signs were designed to show that Jesus was sent by \_\_\_\_\_. They were one of the witnesses that Jesus was who He said he was.

The food was simply to fill a fleshly \_\_\_\_\_. They were not starving, they were simply hungry.

They were focusing on what perishes instead of what endures.

**Matt 6:19-21** *Do not lay up for yourselves treasures on earth, where moth and rust destroy and where thieves break in and steal; 20 but lay up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust destroys and where thieves do not break in and steal. 21 For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also. NKJV*

Jesus wanted them to focus on \_\_\_\_\_ treasure that lasts instead of physical treasure that will be destroyed.

**John 4:13-15** *Jesus answered and said to her, "Whoever drinks of this water will thirst again, 14 but whoever drinks of the water that I shall give him will never thirst. But the water that I shall give him will become in him a fountain of water springing up into everlasting life." 15 The woman said to Him, "Sir, give me this water, that I may not thirst, nor come here to draw." NKJV*

The Samaritan woman was focused on physical water while Jesus was trying to give her water that would lead to \_\_\_\_\_ life.

**John 6:41-42** *The Jews then complained about Him, because He said, "I am the bread which came down from heaven." 42 And they said, "Is not this Jesus, the son of Joseph, whose father and mother we know? How is it then that He says, 'I have come down from heaven'?"*

**John 6:52** *The Jews therefore quarreled among themselves, saying, "How can this Man give us His flesh to eat?" NKJV*

*Some people don't get it because they are either asking the \_\_\_\_\_ question or the right questions with the \_\_\_\_\_ motivation.*

Where can we get enough bread to feed such a large crowd? Who then can be saved? Lord do You not care that my sister has left me to serve alone? Why don't your disciples wash their hands before they eat? How many times should I forgive my brother who sins against me? We have left everything to follow you! What is our reward? How did the fig tree wither so quickly? Is it time for you to restore the kingdom of Israel? Who sinned that this man was born blind? Why was the oil not sold and the money given to the poor?

**John 6:43-46** *Jesus therefore answered and said to them, "Do not murmur among yourselves. 44 No one can come to Me unless the Father who sent Me draws him; and I will raise him up at the last day. 45 It is written in the prophets, 'And they shall all be taught by God.' Therefore everyone who has heard and learned from the Father comes to Me. NKJV*

*Some people don't get it because they don't \_\_\_\_\_ what God is trying to teach them.*

**Matt 13:18-19** *Therefore hear the parable of the sower: 19 When anyone hears the word of the kingdom, and does not understand it, then the wicked one comes and snatches away what was sown in his heart. This is he who received seed by the wayside. NKJV*

The \_\_\_\_\_ snatches the seed out of people's hearts.

## **You Must Believe in Him to Get it**

There were a lot of things Peter didn't understand!

**Matt 17:4** *Then Peter answered and said to Jesus, "Lord, it is good for us to be here; if You wish, let us make here three tabernacles: one for You, one for Moses, and one for Elijah."* NKJV

**Mark 8:31-33** *And He began to teach them that the Son of Man must suffer many things, and be rejected by the elders and chief priests and scribes, and be killed, and after three days rise again. 32 He spoke this word openly. Then Peter took Him aside and began to rebuke Him. 33 But when He had turned around and looked at His disciples, He rebuked Peter, saying, "Get behind Me, Satan! For you are not mindful of the things of God, but the things of men."* NKJV

Peter misunderstood the concept of a suffering savior so much that he actually \_\_\_\_\_ Jesus.

**John 18:10-11** *Then Simon Peter, having a sword, drew it and struck the high priest's servant, and cut off his right ear. The servant's name was Malchus. 11 So Jesus said to Peter, "Put your sword into the sheath. Shall I not drink the cup which My Father has given Me?"* NKJV

When Jesus was being arrested, Peter decided to pull out a sword and start fighting a \_\_\_\_\_ war.

### **Back to the text**

**John 6:67-69** *Then Jesus said to the twelve, "Do you also want to go away?" 68 But Simon Peter answered Him, "Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life. 69 Also we have come to believe and know that You are the Christ, the Son of the living God."* NKJV

Peter understood that Jesus is the \_\_\_\_\_, the Son of the living God. That is why he knew that he shouldn't leave and that Jesus was the only one who had the words of eternal life.

**John 6:28-29** *Then they said to Him, "What shall we do, that we may work the works of God?" 29 Jesus answered and said to them, "This is the work of God, that you believe in Him whom He sent."*

The work of God is to \_\_\_\_\_ that He sent Jesus from heaven to the earth.

**John 6:40** *And this is the will of Him who sent Me, that everyone who sees the Son and believes in Him may have everlasting life; and I will raise him up at the last day."* NKJV

If we believe that Jesus is who He said He was, we will have \_\_\_\_\_ life!

## **Once You Get it, Eat and Drink**

What is Jesus teaching in this passage?

**Matt 26:26-28** *And as they were eating, Jesus took bread, blessed and broke it, and gave it to the disciples and said, "Take, eat; this is My body." 27 Then He took the cup, and gave*

*thanks, and gave it to them, saying, "Drink from it, all of you. 28 For this is My blood of the new covenant, which is shed for many for the remission of sins. NKJV*

Some believe that Jesus is referencing the \_\_\_\_\_ Supper. He does use similar terminology.

The biggest obstacle to this position is that Jesus won't institute the Lord's Supper for another year.

It is true that whoever eats of His flesh and drinks of His blood in the way Jesus suggests in John 6 will \_\_\_\_\_ be partakers of the Lord's Supper.

**John 6:61-64** *When Jesus knew in Himself that His disciples complained about this, He said to them, "Does this offend you? 62 What then if you should see the Son of Man ascend where He was before? 63 It is the Spirit who gives life; the flesh profits nothing. The words that I speak to you are spirit, and they are life. NKJV*

**John 6:68-69** *But Simon Peter answered Him, "Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life. 69 Also we have come to believe and know that You are the Christ, the Son of the living God." NKJV*

Jesus could simply be saying that if you believe in me and follow the \_\_\_\_\_ that I speak to you, you will have eternal life.

**Luke 14:15** *Now when one of those who sat at the table with Him heard these things, he said to Him, "Blessed is he who shall eat bread in the kingdom of God!" NKJV*

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**John 8:23-24** *And He said to them, "You are from beneath; I am from above. You are of this world; I am not of this world. 24 Therefore I said to you that you will die in your sins; for if you do not believe that I am He, you will die in your sins." NKJV*

**John 20:30-31** *And truly Jesus did many other signs in the presence of His disciples, which are not written in this book; 31 but these are written that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that believing you may have life in His name. NKJV*

I think eating His flesh and drinking His blood means that we believe \_\_\_\_\_ about Jesus that God says is true. Eating His flesh and drinking His blood means He is more important to you than physical bread.

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