

THE Man in the Mirror - 4 The Bread of Llfe April 18, 2021

I. WHAT'S THE BIG IDEA? John 6:25-59

Jesus, in an attempt to <u>speak</u> their <u>language</u>, enters a "battle of <u>metaphors</u>" with the Jewish religious leaders. His ultimate goal is to help them to <u>believe</u>.

- A. Those of us who follow Jesus are called "<u>believers</u>."
- B. <u>Belief</u> is the key that opens every door in the Kingdom.

II. THE PROGRESS OF THE CONVERSATION:

A. Aim higher. Look for <u>spiritual</u> truth, not natural <u>provision</u>.

- B. Bread from heaven = manna.
- C. Jesus says, "<u>I am</u> the <u>manna</u> from the Father."
- D. Bread + <u>water</u> = life.
 - 1. <u>Bread</u> = word of God
 - 2. <u>Water</u> = life in the Spirit
 - 3. Jesus turned water into wine.
- E. If you trust me, I will give you:
 - 1. Eternal sustenance (v. 35)
 - 2. Eternal <u>acceptance</u> (v. 37)
 - 3. Eternal security (v. 39)
 - 4. Eternal <u>peace</u> (v. 40)
 - 5. Eternal life (v. 58)
 - 6. Eternal relationship (v. 56)