Sunday Centerpoint

Key Takeaways:

- 1. Worldly blessings may fill us temporarily, but only God's presence can truly fulfill us.
- 2. We often seek after what Jesus can do for us rather than seeking Jesus Himself.
- 3. Our faith grows stronger when we trust God through difficult circumstances.
- 4. Gratitude helps us recognize God's blessings and seek Him more earnestly.

Discussion Questions:

- 1. In John 6, Jesus confronts the crowd about their motivations for seeking Him. Do you think we sometimes fall into the same trap of seeking Jesus for what He can do for us rather than for who He is? Share examples.
- 2. The sermon mentions Job and his unshakable faith. How can maintaining a relationship with God help us navigate difficult times in our lives?
- 3. Discuss the quote: "Faith like Job's cannot be shaken because it is the result of having been shaken." What does this mean to you?
- 4. Jason shared his unfulfilled life plan from college. How have you dealt with unmet expectations or plans in your own life? How has your faith played a role in those situations?
- 5. How can we distinguish between seeking God's blessings and seeking God Himself? Why is this distinction important?
- 6. The sermon emphasizes the importance of gratitude. How might developing a more grateful attitude change our relationship with God and our perspective on life?

Practical Applications:

- 1. Gratitude Journal: Start a daily gratitude journal this week, writing down at least three things you're thankful for each day.
- 2. Blessing Inventory: Make a list of the blessings God has already given you in your life. Reflect on how these blessings have shaped your faith journey.
- 3. Seeking God's Presence: Set aside 10-15 minutes each day this week to simply be in God's presence without asking for anything. Focus on who He is rather than what He can do for you.
- 4. Scripture Meditation: Spend time meditating on John 6:35 ("I am the bread of life"). Consider how you can make Jesus your primary source of spiritual nourishment.
- 5. Accountability: Partner with someone in the group to check in daily about how you're seeking Christ rather than just His blessings.