



THE BREAD OF LIFE & THE BELIEF OF MAN

John 6:22–25

PROLOGUE

The Crowds Leave + Seek Jesus







John 6:26–40

TEACHING THE CROWDS

The Identity of the True Bread

**“They liked the idea of a fish maker
and bread baker—someone who
could give them the material things
they wanted.”**

R. Kent Hughes

John 6:41–58

TEACHING THE JEWS

The Partaking of the True Bread

Metaphor or Material?

John 6:53–58

- If material, what do we do with **John 6:35**, “I am the bread of life?”
- Torah prohibition against blood
 - **Lev 17:10–14** “Any man... who eats any blood, I will set My face against that person who eats blood and will cut him off from among his people”
- Where is Jesus currently?
 - **Heb 12:2** “Jesus... has sat down at the right hand of the throne of God”

Is Jesus talking about communion?

John 6:53–58

THE LORD'S TABLE IN SCRIPTURE

- **Purpose of remembering** “do this in remembrance of Me” (Lk 22:19)
- **Purpose of proclaiming** “proclaim the Lord’s death until He comes” (1 Cor 11:26)
- **Limited timeline** “until the Lord comes” (1 Cor 11:26)
- **Promotes gospel integrity** in those who take it (1 Cor 11:27)
- A continuing sign in the church of **belonging to God’s people** who partake of one bread (1 Cor 10:17)

**“Belief is a continuous activity
which enables a person to remain
in Jesus.”**

Andrew Lincoln

John 6:59–71

RESPONSE

The Disciples **Leave** + Believe Jesus

**“As always with those who reject
God’s offer of salvation, the issue
was not a lack of information, but
a lack of faith.”**

John MacArthur

- The Father wills
- The Father sends the Son
- The Father draws men
- Man believes
- Man eats & drinks (abides)
- The Son gives eternal life
- The Son loses no one
- The Son raises up

THE GOSPEL

In John 6

JUDE 24–25

Now to Him who is able to keep you from stumbling, and to make you stand in the presence of His glory blameless with great joy, to the only God our Savior, through Jesus Christ our Lord, be glory, majesty, might, and authority, before all time and now and forever. Amen.