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41 Therefore the Jews were grumbling about Him, because He said, "I am the bread that came down out of heaven."

42 They were saying, "Is not this Jesus, the son of Joseph, whose father and mother we know? How does He now say, 'I have come down out of heaven'?"

43 Jesus answered and said to them, "Do not grumble among yourselves.

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44 "No one can come to Me unless the Father who sent Me draws him; and I will raise him up on the last day.

45 "It is written in the prophets, 'And they shall all be taught of God.' Everyone who has heard and learned from the Father, comes to Me.

46 "Not that anyone has seen the Father, except the One who is from God; He has seen the Father.

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47 "Truly, truly, I say to you, he who believes has eternal life.

48 "I am the bread of life.

49 "Your fathers ate the manna in the wilderness, and they died.

50 "This is the bread which comes down out of heaven, so that one may eat of it and not die.

John 6:41–51

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51 "I am the living bread that came down out of heaven; if anyone eats of this bread, he will live forever; and the bread also which I will give for the life of the world is My flesh."

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Truth 1: Faith Comes by the Power of God

Truth 2: Faith in Jesus Results in Eternal Life

52 Then the Jews *began* to argue with one another, saying,
“How can this man give us *His* flesh to eat?”

53 So Jesus said to them, “Truly, truly, I say to you, unless you
eat the flesh of the Son of Man and drink His blood, you
have no life in yourselves.

54 “He who eats My flesh and drinks My blood has eternal
life, and I will raise him up on the last day.

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55 "For My flesh is true food, and My blood is true drink.

56 "He who eats My flesh and drinks My blood abides in Me,
and I in him.

57 "As the living Father sent Me, and I live because of the
Father, so he who eats Me, he also will live because of
Me.

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58 "This is the bread which came down out of heaven; not as the fathers ate and died; he who eats this bread will live forever."

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51 "I am the living bread that came down out of heaven; if anyone eats of this bread, he will live forever; and the bread also which I will give for the life of the world is My flesh."

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4 Nicodemus *said to Him, "How can a man be born when he is old? He cannot enter a second time into his mother's womb and be born, can he?"

John 3:4

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10 Jesus answered and said to her, "If you knew the gift of God, and who it is who says to you, 'Give Me a drink,' you would have asked Him, and He would have given you living water."

11 She *said to Him, "Sir, You have nothing to draw with and the well is deep; where then do You get that living water?"

John 4:10–11

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31 Meanwhile the disciples were urging Him, saying, "Rabbi, eat."

32 But He said to them, "I have food to eat that you do not know about."

33 So the disciples were saying to one another, "No one brought Him *anything* to eat, did he?"

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10 'And any man from the house of Israel, or from the aliens who sojourn among them, who eats any blood, I will set My face against that person who eats blood and will cut him off from among his people.

Leviticus 17:10

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11 'For the life of the flesh is in the blood, and I have given it to you on the altar to make atonement for your souls; for it is the blood by reason of the life that makes atonement.'

Leviticus 17:11

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10 By this will we have been sanctified through the offering
of the body of Jesus Christ once for all.

Hebrews 10:10

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Council of Trent, Session XXII (1562), Canon III, "On the Sacrifice of the Mass":

"If any one saith, that the sacrifice of the mass is only a sacrifice of praise and of thanksgiving; or, that it is a bare commemoration of the sacrifice consummated on the cross, but not a propitiatory sacrifice; or, that it profits him only who receives; and that it ought not to be offered for the living and the dead for sins, pains, satisfactions, and other necessities; let him be anathema."

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Argument 1: The NT Witness

8 For by grace you have been saved through faith; and that
not of yourselves, *it is* the gift of God;

9 not as a result of works, so that no one may boast.

Ephesians 2:8–9

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8 But what does it say? “The word is near you, in your mouth and in your heart”—that is, the word of faith which we are preaching,

9 that if you confess with your mouth Jesus as Lord, and believe in your heart that God raised Him from the dead, you will be saved;

Romans 10:8–10

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10 for with the heart a person believes, resulting in
righteousness, and with the mouth he confesses,
resulting in salvation.

Romans 10:8–10

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Argument 2: John's Consistent Teaching

31 but these have been written so that you may believe that
Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God; and that believing
you may have life in His name.

John 20:31

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14 "As Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, even so must the Son of Man be lifted up;

15 so that whoever believes will in Him have eternal life.

16 "For God so loved the world, that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him shall not perish, but have eternal life.

John 3:14–16

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40 "For this is the will of My Father, that everyone who beholds the Son and believes in Him will have eternal life, and I Myself will raise him up on the last day."

John 6:40

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44 "No one can come to Me unless the Father who sent Me draws him; and I will raise him up on the last day.

45 "It is written in the prophets, 'And they shall all be taught of God.' Everyone who has heard and learned from the Father, comes to Me.

46 "Not that anyone has seen the Father, except the One who is from God; He has seen the Father.

John 6:44–48

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47 "Truly, truly, I say to you, he who believes has eternal life.

48 "I am the bread of life.

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D.A. Carson-

The only substantial difference is that one speaks of eating Jesus' flesh and drinking Jesus' blood, while the other, in precisely the same conceptual location, speaks of looking to the Son and believing in him. The conclusion is obvious: the former is the metaphorical way of referring to the latter.

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Augustine-

Believe, and you have eaten.

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Abide-

Of someone who does not leave a certain realm or sphere: *remain, continue, abide* (BDAG)

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16 "I will ask the Father, and He will give you another Helper,
that He may be with you forever;

17 *that is* the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive,
because it does not see Him or know Him, *but* you know
Him because He abides with you and will be in you.

John 14:16–17

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5 "I am the vine, you are the branches; he who abides in Me and I in him, he bears much fruit, for apart from Me you can do nothing.

John 15:5

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13 For by one Spirit we were all baptized into one body,
whether Jews or Greeks, whether slaves or free, and we
were all made to drink of one Spirit.

1 Corinthians 12:13

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26 "For just as the Father has life in Himself, even so He gave to the Son also to have life in Himself;

John 5:26

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20 "I have been crucified with Christ; and it is no longer I who live, but Christ lives in me; and the *life* which I now live in the flesh I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave Himself up for me.

Galatians 2:20

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Truth 5: Eating Brings Eternal Unending Living (58)

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Implication 2: Come and Abide

9 And He has said to me, "My grace is sufficient for you, for power is perfected in weakness." Most gladly, therefore, I will rather boast about my weaknesses, so that the power of Christ may dwell in me.

2 Corinthians 12:9

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