



Life Group Discussion Guide
The Gospel of John
“Jesus, the Bread of Life” – John 6:23-71
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Main thought:

We consume the spiritual Bread of Life by believing on Jesus as the savior and Son of God. We express and reaffirm this belief through the taking of communion.

Ice-Breaker

- What is your favorite type of bread?

Week in Review (suggested sharing time 5-10 min)

- How has God provided for your needs this past week?

Digging In

Read John 6:23-35 together and respond to the following questions:

- Why were the people trying to find Jesus at this point? (verse 26)
- According to Jesus, what is the “work of God” that we should be doing? (verses 28-29)
How does this compare to what we often think of when it comes to doing the work of God?
- What is the significance of Jesus’ statement of “I Am the Bread of Life”?

Further Reflection (suggested time 10 minutes)

- Read verses 44-45. How can we reconcile this teaching of the sovereignty of God with our own personal decision to believe?
- Read verses 53-58. What does Jesus mean by, “Feed on my flesh and drink my blood”? Why do you think Jesus uses such a graphic image to convey this concept?
- In light of Jesus’ teaching here, how should we view communion?

Application (suggested time 15 minutes)

- Read verse 60. What are some “hard teachings” of the Bible that you sometimes struggle with? What are the best ways to seek answers for these questions?
- What do you think were some of the differences between those who stopped following Jesus at this point and the disciples who continued following Him?
- Read verses 67-69. What does Peter say that Jesus has that they need? How are you going to take in those “words of life” this week more than last week?

Share with each other ways you’ve found helpful to take in the Word of God, then pray for each other. (Suggested time 10 minutes)