Series: Gospel of John Message: "Feeding on Christ" August 24, 2025 John 6:48-59

Big Idea: Jesus is the One who brings life to us because he gave his life on our behalf.

- I. Review Jesus is the Bread of Life
 - A. The whole chapter centers around the MIRACULOUS feeding
 - B. The miracle CONNECTS us back to Exodus 16
 - C. The **HARD** sayings of Jesus
- II. Flesh and blood
 - A. A PARENTHESIS
 - 1. Four views of the LORD'S SUPPER
 - ROMAN CATHOLIC view TRANSUBSTANTIATION
 - <u>LUTHERAN</u> view <u>CONSUBSTANTIATION</u>
 - <u>REFORMED</u> view Spiritual <u>PRESENCE</u>
 - MEMORIAL view act of REMEMBRANCE
 - 2. Why Jesus ISN'T referring to ANY of them
 - The Lord's Supper hasn't even been <u>INSTITUTED</u>
 - The Lord's Supper is a <u>PROCLAMATION</u> of Christ's death, not a <u>REENACTMENT</u>

 The language is <u>ABSOLUTE</u> with no qualification. If it refers to the Lord's Supper, it alone is required for SALVATION

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- 1. The immediate CONNECTION to the Old Testament vs. 48-50
 - The PHYSICAL over the SPIRITUAL
 - The LESSER over the GREATER
- 2. STARTLING language vs. 51-52
 - The METAPHOR again
 - The MISS again
- 3. EVEN more STARTLING language vs. 53-59
 - The heart of the **GOSPEL SALVATION** vs. 53-54
 - FEEDING on Jesus SANCTIFICATION vs. 55-58

III. What we take away...

Salvation doesn't come to us through ritual but through righteousness. A righteousness not of ourselves, but one that comes through Christ alone.