

Jesus is the Bread of Life (John 6:22-58)

1. Bread that gives eternal life

- **The Father's role**

V 32 "...it is My Father who gives you the true bread out of heaven."

V 37 "All that the Father gives Me shall come to Me"

V 40 "For this is the will of My Father, that everyone who beholds the Son and believes in Him, may have eternal life"

- **Jesus' role**

V 35 "I am the bread of life"

V 38 "For I have come down from heaven, not to do My own will, but the will of Him who sent Me."

V 37 "...the one who comes to Me I will certainly not cast out."

V 39 "...of all that He has given Me I lose nothing..."

V 40 "I Myself will raise him up on the last day."

2. The Father draws us to Jesus

- **The Father chooses us**

Romans 8:29-30 For whom He foreknew, He also predestined to become conformed to the image of His Son, that He might be the first-born among many brethren; (30) and whom He predestined, these He also called; and whom He called, these He also justified; and whom He justified, these He also glorified.

- **The Father moves our hearts**

Proverbs 21:1 The king's heart is like channels of water in the hand of the Lord; He turns it wherever He wishes.

Romans 9:18 So then He has mercy on whom He desires, and He hardens whom He desires.

- **Evangelism starts with prayer as we intercede for others before the Father**

3. We spiritually partake of Jesus

- **Jesus is spiritual food and drink**

1 Corinthians 10:3-4 And all ate the same spiritual food; (4) and all drank the same spiritual drink, for they were drinking from a spiritual rock which followed them; and the rock was Christ

- **When we come to Jesus, we are feeding on the truth**

Isaiah 55:1-3 "Ho! Every one who thirsts, come to the waters; and you who have no money come, buy and eat. Come, buy wine and milk without money and without cost. (2) Why do you spend money for what is not bread, and your wages for what does not satisfy? Listen carefully to Me, and eat what is good, and delight yourself in abundance. (3) Incline your ear and come to Me. Listen, that you may live; and I will make an everlasting covenant with you, according to the faithful mercies shown to David"

Jeremiah 3:15 "Then I will give you shepherds after My own heart, who will feed you on knowledge and understanding."

4. Communion helps us remember that Jesus is our spiritual food

- **We take communion in remembrance of Jesus**

Luke 22:19 And when He had taken some bread and given thanks, He broke it, and gave it to them, saying "This is My body which is given for you; do this in remembrance of Me."

- **We remember the new covenant established by Jesus' blood**

Mark 14:24 And He said to them, "This is My blood of the covenant, which is poured out for many."

Jeremiah 31:33 "But this is the covenant which I will make with house of Israel after those days," declares the Lord, "I will put My law within them, and on their heart I will write it; and I will be their God and they shall be My people."

Hebrews 9:15 And for this reason He is the mediator of a new covenant, in order that since a death has taken place for the redemption of the transgressions that were committed under the first covenant, those who have been called may receive the promise of the eternal inheritance.

- **Three promises that come through partaking of Jesus in John 6:54-58**

V 56: We abide with Jesus

V 54: Jesus will raise us up

V 54, 57-58: We have eternal life