

"Bread of Life" – John 6:22-71 Word Wednesday #33 - January 17-24, 2024 cbcbonham.org/discipleship



| Deuteronomy 8:3 "And He humbled you and let you go hungry, and fed you with the manna which you did not know, nor did your fathers know, in order to make you understand that man shall not live on bread alone, but man shall live on everything that comes out of the mouth of the Lord." |
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| Dr. McGee on John 6:37: |
| "This great verse illustrates both election and free will: |
| All that the Father gives Me will come to Me [that's election but, wait a minute], and the one |
| who comes to Me I will by no means cast out [that's free will]John 6:37 |
| Election and free will are both true! It's beyond our ability to reconcile them. We don't know how God runs that computer of election, but we do know He's given us a free will, and we have to exercise it. Jesus said it's the will of God for you to be born again. |
| The only way to have eternal life is for you to come to the Lord Jesus by faith. And Jesus promises He will take care of those the Father gives Him until the very end. This is a beautiful promise of completion. |
| Jesus says when a person accepts Him as Savior, He justifies them, and someday He will glorify them. |
| When He starts out with 100 sheep, He's going to come through with 100 sheep!" |
| — John Bible Companion - Thru The Bible with J. Vernon McGee (study guide) |
| In His Dust: More than that, I count all things to be in view of the surpassing of Christ Jesus my Lord (Philippians 3:8). |
| Memory Verse #33: Simon Peter answered Him, "Lord, to whom shall we go? You have words of eternal life. And we have already and have come to that You are the Holy One of God." (John 6:68-69). |
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Lesson notes & questions:

<u>Lesson Reflections</u> (review before Apply nights):

- What is at least one new thing I learned about loving God or my neighbor?
- Which topics would I like to know more about or need clarification?
- How does the Holy Spirit want me to apply the lesson's Scripture to my discipleship?



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APPLY!

• Share any "Lesson Reflections" with the group. Recite this lesson's Memory and In His Dust verses; discuss what they mean to you.

• The People Seek Jesus John 6:22-25

- o Why do the people follow Jesus across the Sea of Galilee?
- o Have you ever noticed your own spiritual hunger? In what ways have you tried to satisfy apart from Jesus?

• Words to the People John 6:26-40

- o Why does Jesus call himself the bread of life?
- o What means does God use to draw the elect to saving faith? Can we neglect mission because of election?
- o Put into your own words what Jesus is offering.

Words to the Doubters John 6:41-58

- o Do you feel bored and restless in life? Are you seeking fulfillment in Jesus?
- o Why does Jesus point out that the Israelites ate manna in the wilderness and died?
- o What does it mean to "eat" the bread of life?

Words to the Disciples John 6:59-71

- o Who is a disciple of Jesus? Is it possible to be a Christian without being a disciple?
- o What marks a true disciple's commitment to follow Jesus?
- o Why does Jesus ask the disciples if they, too, want to leave?
- o What are the two parts of every genuine confession of faith? (hint: look at the verbs in our memory verse)
- o What lesson should we learn from those "disciples" who follow Jesus for a time and then leave?

• What do you want to remember and apply from this lesson?

Spend the last five minutes in prayer pairs

- o Praise for answered prayers, growth, and how God is working in your life
- o Petitions for specific challenges and intercessions for others