

THE GOSPEL

— *according to* —

JOHN

Scripture Reading

JOHN 6:1–71

THE MAIN POINT OF JOHN 6

Just like Jesus satisfied the massive crowd with one meal, Jesus himself can forever satisfy everyone who personally relies on his crucifixion.

JESUS IS “THE BREAD OF LIFE”

Two critical clarifications

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- Just like grain must be harvested, Jesus must die.
- Just like bread must be eaten, Jesus must be trusted.
- Just like food can satisfy for a time, trusting Jesus will satisfy forever.
- Just like one meal can feed many, Jesus can give life to all who trust him.

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1. Jesus is clearly speaking metaphorically.
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2. Jesus is *not* speaking sacramentally.
The life he’s promising doesn’t come from eating communion.

IF JESUS IS “THE BREAD OF LIFE,” THEN...

1. Bless God for “the food.”
Thank God for giving you Jesus.
2. “Eat.”
Trust Jesus personally.
3. “Eat” till you’re full.
Keep trusting Jesus till you’re with him.
4. Gather “the leftovers.”
Tell others how Jesus can satisfy them.