

1. The Miracle of Jesus (1-24) REVIEW

After this Jesus went away to the other side of the Sea of Galilee, which is the Sea of Tiberias. ² And a large crowd was following him, because they saw the signs that he was doing on the sick. ³ Jesus went up on the mountain, and there he sat down with his disciples. ⁴ Now the Passover, the feast of the Jews, was at hand. ⁵ Lifting up his eyes, then, and seeing that a large crowd was coming toward him, Jesus said to Philip, "Where are we to buy bread, so that these people may eat?" ⁶ He said this to test him, for he himself knew what he would do. ⁷ Philip answered him, "Two hundred denarii worth of bread would not be enough for each of them to get a little." ⁸ One of his disciples, Andrew, Simon Peter's brother, said to him,

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⁹ "There is a boy here who has five barley loaves and two fish, but what are they for so many?" ¹⁰ Jesus said, "Have the people sit down." Now there was much grass in the place. So the men sat down, about five thousand in number. ¹¹ Jesus then took the loaves, and when he had given thanks, he distributed them to those who were seated. So also the fish, as much as they wanted. ¹² And when they had eaten their fill, he told his disciples, "Gather up the leftover fragments, that nothing may be lost." ¹³ So they gathered them up and filled twelve baskets with fragments from the five barley loaves left by those who had eaten. ¹⁴ When the people saw the sign that he had done, they said, "This is indeed the Prophet who is to come into the world!"

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¹⁵ Perceiving then that they were about to come and take him by force to make him king, Jesus withdrew again to the mountain by himself. ¹⁶ When evening came, his disciples went down to the sea, ¹⁷ got into a boat, and started across the sea to Capernaum. It was now dark, and Jesus had not yet come to them. ¹⁸ The sea became rough because a strong wind was blowing. ¹⁹ When they had rowed about three or four miles, they saw Jesus walking on the sea and coming near the boat, and they were frightened. ²⁰ But he said to them, "It is I; do not be afraid." ²¹ Then they were glad to take him into the boat, and immediately the boat was at the land to which they were going.

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²² On the next day (Sabbath) the crowd that remained on the other side of the sea saw that there had been only one boat there, and that Jesus had not entered the boat with his disciples, but that his disciples had gone away alone. ²³ Other boats from Tiberias came near the place where they had eaten the bread after the Lord had given thanks. ²⁴ So when the crowd saw that Jesus was not there, nor his disciples, they themselves got into the boats and went to Capernaum, seeking Jesus.

- The needs of the world will be met by Jesus through us!
- ❖ Availability not ability is what Jesus uses!
- As we serve others Jesus nourishes us spiritually!

2. The Claim of Jesus (25-59)

A. Jesus warns them!

When they found him on the other side of the sea, they said to him, "Rabbi, when did you come here?"
²⁶ Jesus answered them, "Truly, truly, I say to you, you are seeking me, not because you saw signs, but because you ate your fill of the loaves. ²⁷ <u>Do not work for the food that perishes, but for the food that endures to eternal life,</u> which the Son of Man will give to you.
For on him God the Father has set his seal."

Are you seeking the gift or the Giver?



2. The Claim of Jesus (25-59)

- B. Jesus offers real answers that will satisfy our deepest hunger!
- ✓ The first real answer is Jesus Christ Himself!
- ³² Jesus then said to them, "Truly, truly, I say to you, it was not Moses who gave you the bread from heaven, but my Father gives you the true bread from heaven.
 ³³ For the bread of God is he who comes down from heaven and gives life to the world." ³⁴ They said to him, "Sir, give us this bread always."
- ³⁵ Jesus said to them, "I am the bread of life; whoever comes to me shall not hunger, and whoever believes in me shall never thirst.

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- B. Jesus offers real answers that will satisfy our deepest hunger!
- ✓ The second real answer is His sacrificial death for our sins!

⁵¹ I am the living bread that came down from heaven. If anyone eats of this bread, he will live forever. And the bread that I will give for the life of the world is my flesh."

(Rom. 6:23) For the wages of sin is death, but the free gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.

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C. Jesus enables them!

²⁷ Do not work for the food that perishes, but for the food that endures to eternal life, <u>which the Son of Man</u> <u>will give to you</u>. For on him God the Father has set his seal."

o We must believe in Him!

6:29 Jesus answered them, "This is the work of God, that you <u>believe</u> in him whom he has sent".

6:35 Jesus said to them, "I am the bread of life; whoever comes to me shall not hunger, and whoever believes in me shall never thirst. 6:40 For this is the will of my Father, that everyone who looks on the Son and believes in him should have eternal life, and I will raise him up on the last day.

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o Believing in Him is a specific kind of belief!

⁵³ So Jesus said to them, "Truly, truly, I say to you, unless you eat the flesh of the Son of Man and drink his blood, you have no life in you. ⁵⁴ Whoever feeds on my flesh and drinks my blood has eternal life, and I will raise him up on the last day. ⁵⁵ For my flesh is true food, and my blood is true drink. ⁵⁶ Whoever feeds on my flesh and drinks my blood abides in me, and I in him.

flest personally receiving His death for no my sins, and personally asking Him to come into my life.

3. The Reaction to Jesus (60-71)

⁶⁰ When many of his disciples heard it, they said, "This is a <u>hard saying</u>; who can listen to it?"

⁶¹ But Jesus, knowing in himself that his disciples were grumbling about this, said to them, "Do you take offense at this? ⁶² Then what if you were to see the Son of Man ascending to where he was before? ⁶⁶ After this many of his disciples turned back and no longer walked with him.

 $^{67}\,\mbox{So}$ Jesus said to the Twelve, "Do you want to go away as well?"

⁶⁸ Simon Peter answered him, "Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life, ⁶⁹ and we have believed, and have come to know, that you are the Holy One of God."

Do you have an App for that?

- 1. What "hard Biblical sayings or teachings" have you personally dealt with?
- 2. What responses have you given to Jesus?
- 3. What have your responses taught you about the Lord?

I obtain eternal spiritual life by personally receiving His death for <u>my</u> sins, and personally asking Him to come into <u>my</u> life.

