

LISTEN UP & WRITE IT DOWN

I Am the Bread of Life

Christ Has Come

John 6:35-51

Sunday, December 7, 2008

1. Jesus is Bread for our _____.

A. Those people . . .

B. Us people . . .

2. Jesus is Bread from _____

A. Bread better than manna

B. Bread of God

3. Jesus is Bread for _____.

A. Bread that sustains and satisfies for today.

B. Bread that sustains and satisfies for forever.

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4. Jesus is Bread for the _____.

A. Bread, not just for Jews . . .

B. Bread for all in the world who . . .

1. . . . are _____ by the Father to the Son (6:37)

2. . . . are _____ by the Father to the Son.

3. . . . will _____ and believe the Son.

5. Jesus is Bread to be _____.

A. The need to feed the first time.

B. The need to feed continually.

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1. Read John 6:22-71. What is the reason Jesus enters into this long “bread of life” discourse? How did those who heard Jesus’ teaching respond to it according to 60, 66, and 68?
2. In verses 25-33, what do the people want from Jesus? How are these people like us in our coming to Jesus?
3. Count how many times the word “life” occurs in John 6:26-65. List the verses.
4. In presenting Himself as “the bread of life,” what Old Testament symbol is Jesus directly comparing himself to and fulfilling?
5. When Jesus references “the world” in verses 33 and 51, is he saying that every person will receive eternal life? If not, who will receive it? What can be said about these people?

WORK IT OUT!

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1. What was new and most challenging for you in this week’s text/message? What sorts of questions emerge for you from this text?
2. What comes when you turn over in your mind, the metaphor of “bread?” What images come to your mind? What experiences come to your remembrance?
3. Explain this statement: *Jesus doesn’t always give us what we think we need, but what we really need.* Share a time when that has been true for you. What sorts of things do we sometimes think we need?
4. How is this Christmas different than recent past Christmases? How might hard economic realities help us to better and more continually feed on Jesus? How do we do that? What might that look like practically for you?