

SERMON GUIDE

BREAD OF LIFE

John 6:22-35

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SERMON NOTES

OUR MISSION is to make more and better disciples of Jesus Christ.

THIS WEEK'S MEMORY VERSE (Year 2, Week 29)

Phil.2:8-9 (God's Character)

6 who, though he was in the form of God, did not count equality with God a thing to be grasped, 7 but emptied himself, by taking the form of a servant, being born in the likeness of men.

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The Conversation Guide is a great tool for individuals, families, discipleship groups and Missional Communities to take a deeper, more personal dive into the content of the current sermon series. The Conversation Guide will be posted by every Friday on the 'live' page of our website and in our weekly newsletter. We encourage you to use it this week on your own, around your dinner tables, over coffee with your friends or in your faith groups!

The Conversation Guide is built on the SOAP model, which is a tool you can use when reading the Bible. SOAP helps you be intentional about paying attention to:

Scripture that stands out to you while you read

Observations about the verse or phrases that stood out to you

Application that connect the verses to your real life and relationships

Prayer that invites God to participate in your life and provide power to follow him

Conversation Questions

Getting to Know Me: Describe the greatest sandwich you've ever had.

Note About the Passage: In English, we only have one word for "life," but in Greek there are two different words. "Bios" is a reference to our physical, mortal lives (think "biology"). "Bios" is simply existing. "Zoe" is a reference to a fulfilling spiritual life. It's about a quality of life that we all long for. "Life" in our reading today is "zoe" life.

Read John 6:22-35

- S** What verses, phrases, or words stand out to you as you read these scriptures? Is anything jumping off the page and affecting your spirit?

- O** What is the bread of life according to Jesus (v.32-35)?
Reflect on the metaphor:
 - What are some things that physical bread and food do for our physical bodies? What would happen to our physical bodies without food, or if we only had bad food?
 - If Jesus is the "bread of life" what might this mean for our spirits? What does Jesus do for us spiritually?

- O** Jesus is the bread from heaven. Why is this good news for people who long for spiritual life? How is it different than finding life in other religions, things or experiences?

- A** We look for "zoe" life (the good and fulfilling life) in all kinds of places.
Where are some places that you have looked for a good and fulfilling life outside of Jesus?
How did it go? How have other "breads" failed you?

- A** What would it look like in your life to practice Jesus being your bread of life instead of something else?

- A** If God had written this passage just for you, what words, phrases or ideas would he have underlined specifically for you? What did you need to hear most? Why?

- P** Talk to God about your application responses above. Ask him to speak to you, help you, forgive you, and provide direction that you need.