

SERMON GUIDE

FOR THE LIFE OF THE WORLD

John 6:35-59

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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 30)

Phil. 2:14-16 (Godly speech)

14 Do all things without grumbling or disputing, 15 that you may be blameless and innocent, children of God without blemish in the midst of a crooked and twisted generation, among whom you shine as lights in the world, 16 holding fast to the word of life, so that in the day of Christ I may be proud that I did not run in vain or labor in vain.

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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

 $\mathbf{O}\mbox{bservations}$ 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

Note About the Passage: In verse 45 of our reading today, Jesus quotes from Isaiah 54:13. This is a chapter about God's overflowing compassion and grace and the promise of future grace to Israel's children. It's a chapter that would be worth skimming before the assigned reading in John today.

Read John 6:35-59

- **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?
- What are some things that we learn about God the Father, and the Lord Jesus in verses 35-40. What are their roles in our salvation?
 - Are there any promises in these verses that stand out to you? Why?
 - Do these verses confuse, challenge or comfort you? Why?
- O Using phrases and observations from the reading today, how would you define or explain the grace of God to a friend?
 - Why is the grace of God so necessary if we're going to be restored to a relationship with God?
 - Why is grace so challenging and disconcerting? Where have you personally wrestled with the necessity of God's grace in your own life?
- 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?
- A Being a Christian is unique because it's not about being strong or perfect on your own, but about admitting your weaknesses and accepting God's love and help. Becoming a Christian isn't something you can do by yourself; it happens because of God's deep, amazing grace. The core of Christianity is recognizing that your faith isn't something you've earned, but a gift given by God.
 - Is this liberating, confusing, frustrating, or comforting to you today? 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.