

**Series:** Pictures of Jesus

**Message:** I Am the Bread of Life

**Scripture:** John 6:22-35 (ESV)

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### **John 6:22-35 (ESV)**

22 On the next day 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.

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

28 Then they said to him, "What must we do, to be doing the works of God?"

29 Jesus answered them, "This is the work of God, that you believe in him whom he has sent."

30 So they said to him, "Then what sign do you do, that we may see and believe you? What work do you perform?"

31 Our fathers ate the manna in the wilderness; as it is written, 'He gave them bread from heaven to eat.'"

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.

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."

47 Truly, truly, I say to you, whoever believes has eternal life.

50 This is the bread that comes down from heaven, so that one may eat of it and not die.

1. Our tendency is to seek Jesus for the bread He can give rather than for the bread that He is. (v. 26-27)
2. Our tendency is to work toward God rather than to believe in Him. (v. 28-29)
3. Our tendency is to focus on the now rather than the eternal. (v. 40, 47, 51)

**Questions to consider for this week:**

Why might it be hard for you to believe that Jesus can and will satisfy your heart longings?

As you consider the three tendencies above, which one(s) resonates with you the most? Talk to God about that.