My mother made THE BEST homemade bread!

When we finally got her to teach Dee how to make it, Dee made it every week for our family.

Then we got too big for our britches, so she had to stop!

Some of you may have made bread (by hand) every week as well.

The thing about homemade bread is that it is sooooo satisfying and delicious you develop a hunger and a craving for It!

**Fresh bread is extremely addicting & satisfying!!**

**The context:** Jesus gave thanks to His Father in heaven for a little boys lunch and they saw 5 loaves & 2 fish multiplied to feed 5000 (20,000 including women & children).

That evening Jesus’ disciples got in their boat (without Him) to head to the other side of the Sea of Galilee to a place called Capernaum (which was the head quarters for Jesus’ ministry).

Suddenly a big storm arose and about 3-4 miles out they saw Jesus walking on the water towards them (which scared the daylights out of them)!

Jesus told them not to be afraid, they let Jesus in and they suddenly arrived on the other side of the shore!

The next morning, the people wake up, probably hungry, wondering what Jesus was serving for breakfast and they realized that Jesus & His disciples were gone!

So they got in there boats and rowed as fast as they could to the other side.

**The problem V25-26:**

After showing His “wanna be” followers such a SUPERNATURAL miracle.

Jesus criticized them openly for only following Him for what they could get (the physical blessings that Jesus could provide them).

Not to satisfy the spiritual hunger that every person has.

I know this may surprise some of you, but Jesus still has many followers that are just like they were.

They use religion as a means to satisfy themselves and their desire for power, prestige, and pride. **To make a great name for themselves…**

But “true believers” follow Jesus because He is the only one who can satisfy their spiritual hunger and thirst. He alone has the Words of eternal life (John 6:68).

He is the way, the Truth and the Life! There is no other.

A “true” relationship with Jesus will cause you to “make a great name for the Father” as He did!

* Not becoming a “know it all”, but someone willing to try.
* Not someone consumed by trying to “out do” others, but encouraging others to grow and become better.
* People who expect others to fail, but encourage them to keep trying.
* People who aren’t perfectionists and thereby become a negative influence to others, but rather influence others positively to move forward and do their best. Making it their personal goal to serve “as unto their Lord”.

**The Purpose: V27-29**

* John 4:31-34
* John 3:17
* 2 Corinthians 5:17-18

**The Perspective: V30-34**

**The People: V35-40**

**Let us partake of the Lord’s supper together V53-54**