John Chapter 6

1-71 **I am the Bread of Life** (6:35, 6:41, 6:48, 6:51)

## 1-15 5,000 Fed Bread & Fish (Matthew >10-15K, only miracle in 4 gospels)

(31) After these things Jesus went over the sea of Galilee, which is [the sea] of **Tiberias** /Herod Sepphoris/. And a great multitude followed Him, because they saw His miracles /works/ which He did on them that were diseased. 3 And Jesus went up into a mountain, and there He sat with His disciples. 4 And the passover, a feast of the Jews, was near. 5 When Jesus then lifted up [His] eyes, and saw a great company come unto Him, he said unto Philip, Whence shall we buy bread, that these may eat? 6 And this He said to prove him: for He Himself knew what He would do. <sup>7</sup> Philip answered him, Two hundred pennyworth of bread is not sufficient for them, that every one of them may take a little. 8 One of His disciples, **Andrew**, Simon Peter's brother, said unto Him, 9 There is a lad here, which has five barley loaves, and two small fishes: but what are they among so many? <sup>10</sup> And Jesus said, Make the men sit down. Now there was much grass in the place. So the men sat down, in number about five thousand. 11 And Jesus took the loaves; and when He had given thanks, He distributed unto the disciples, and the disciples unto them that were set down; and likewise of the fishes as much as they would. 12 When they were filled, He said unto His disciples, Gather up the fragments that remain, that nothing be lost. 13 Therefore they gathered them together, and filled twelve baskets with the fragments of the five barley loaves, which remained over and above unto them that had eaten. <sup>14</sup> Then those men, when they had seen the miracle that Jesus did, said, This is of a truth that prophet that should come into the world. 15 When Jesus therefore perceived that they would come and take Him by force, to make him a king, He departed again into a mountain Himself alone.

Note: The time setting. John 6 is when Jesus is at the height of popularity in Galilee, over 2 years into his 3  $\frac{1}{2}$  year ministry; over a year after John 4 and around 6 months after John 5. This is near the time of the  $3^{rd}$  Passover. Herod the Tetrarch rules Galilee from Tiberias. He just killed John the Baptist and desires to see Jesus (Luke 9:7-9) and the 12 disciples just returned from their  $1^{st}$  missionary trip. Jesus healed everyone who came (Luke 9:10-12).

Q1 – What can the 12 baskets of bread left over signify? 200 pennyworth = 200 days salary.

A – The perfect government & provision of God. Gates - 12 children of Israel, foundations 12 apostles (Rev 21:12-14) Q2 - Who is the prophet that should come into the world? (John 6:14)

A - Jesus Christ spoke of himself (Duet 18:15) as a prophet, as the woman at the well. He died as a prophet, now is priest, and returns as king.

#### 16-21 Disciples Go on Boat to Capernaum and Jesus Walks on Water

(32) <sup>16</sup> And when evening was [now] come, His disciples went down to the sea, <sup>17</sup> And entered into a boat, and went over the **sea toward Capernaum**. And it was now dark, and Jesus was not come unto them. <sup>18</sup> And the sea arose by reason of a great wind that blew. <sup>19</sup> So when they had rowed about five and twenty or thirty furlongs /3 miles/, they see Jesus walking on the sea, and drawing near unto the boat: and they were afraid. <sup>20</sup> But He said unto them, It is I; be not afraid. <sup>21</sup> Then they willingly received Him into the boat: and immediately the boat was at the land where they went.

Note: The dark was during the 4<sup>th</sup> watch or between 3 to 6 am, Jewish time. Here the sea is around 7 miles wide. They were going toward Capernaum but landed south in Gennesaret above Tiberias (Matthew 14:34-36).

## 22-29 Believing that God Sent Jesus (whom God sealed) is More Important than Miracles

(33) <sup>22</sup> The day following, when the people which stood on the other side of the sea saw that there was no other boat there, save that one where into His disciples were entered, and that Jesus went not with His disciples into the boat, but [that] His disciples were gone away alone; <sup>23</sup> (Howbeit there came other boats from Tiberias near to the place where they did eat bread, after that the Lord had given thanks:) <sup>24</sup> When the people therefore saw that Jesus was not there, neither His disciples, they also took boats, and came to Capernaum, seeking for Jesus. <sup>25</sup> And when they had found Him on the other side of the sea, they said unto Him, Rabbi, when came You here? <sup>26</sup> Jesus answered them and said, Verily, verily, I say unto you, Ye seek Me, not because ye saw the miracles, but because ye did eat of the loaves, and were filled. <sup>27</sup> Labor not for the meat which perishes, but for that meat which endures to everlasting life, which the Son of Man shall give unto you: for Him has God the Father sealed. <sup>28</sup> Then said they unto Him, What shall we do, that we might work the works of God? <sup>29</sup> Jesus answered and said unto them, This is the work of God, that ye believe on Him whom He has sent.

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## 30-40 The Father Gives Us the Bread of Life and a Promise to Believers - to Raise on the Last Day

(34) 30 They said therefore unto Him, What sign show You then, that we may see, and believe You? what do You work? 31 Our fathers did eat **manna** in the desert; as it is written, He gave them bread from heaven to eat. 32 Then Jesus said unto them, Verily, Verily, I say unto you, Moses gave you not that bread from heaven; but My Father gives you the true Bread from heaven. 33 For the Bread of God is He which comes down from heaven, and **gives life to the world.** 34 Then said they unto Him, Lord, evermore give us this bread. 35 And Jesus said unto them, **I AM the**Bread of Life: he that comes to Me shall never hunger; and he that believes on Me shall never thirst. 36 But I said unto you, That ye also have seen Me, and believe not. 37 All that the Father gives Me shall come to Me; and him that comes unto Me I will in no wise cast out. 38 For I came down from heaven, not to do My own will, but the will of Him that sent Me. 39 And this is the Father's will which has sent Me, that of all which He has given Me I should lose nothing, but should raise it up again at the last day. 40 And this is the will of Him that sent Me, that everyone which sees the Son, and believes on Him, may have everlasting life: and I will raise him up at the last day.

Note: 6:31. It is written in Exodus 16:14-15 and Psalm 78:24-25.

## 41-50 Jesus is the Bread (manna) from Heaven - The Father Draws Us to Jesus and Teaches Us

(35) <sup>41</sup> The **Jews then murmured** at Him, because He said, **I AM the Bread** which came down from heaven. <sup>42</sup> And they said, Is not this Jesus, the son of Joseph, whose father and mother we know? how is it then that He says, I came down from heaven? <sup>43</sup> Jesus therefore answered and said unto them, **Murmur not among yourselves.** <sup>44</sup> **No man can come to Me, except the Father which has sent Me draw him:** and **I will raise him up at the last day**. <sup>45</sup> It is written in the prophets, And they shall be all taught of God. Every man therefore that has heard, and has learned of the Father, comes unto Me. <sup>46</sup> Not that any man has seen the Father, save He which is of God, He has seen the Father. <sup>47</sup> Verily, verily, I say unto you, He that believes on Me has everlasting life. <sup>48</sup> **I AM that Bread of Life.** <sup>49</sup> Your fathers did eat manna in the wilderness, and are dead. <sup>50</sup> This is the Bread which comes down from heaven, that a man may eat thereof, and not die.

Note: 6:45. Taught of God refers to the church age and the millennium: Isaiah 54:13-14, Micah 4:1-4, Jeremiah 31:31-34, and 1 Thessalonians 4:9. Murmur –  $1^{st}$  of 5x.

# 51-59 **Jesus Invites Me to Eat His Flesh and Drink His Blood so I can Dwell in Him and He can Dwell in me**

(36) <sup>51</sup> I AM the Living Bread which came down from heaven: if any man eat of this Bread, he shall live forever: and the Bread that I will give is My flesh, which I will give for the life of the world. <sup>52</sup> The Jews therefore strove among themselves, saying, How can this man give us [His] flesh to eat? <sup>53</sup> Then Jesus said unto them, Verily, verily, I say unto you, Except ye eat the flesh of the **Son of Man**, and drink His blood, ye have no life in you. <sup>54</sup> Whoso eats My flesh, and drinks My blood, has eternal life; and I will raise him up at the last day. <sup>55</sup> For My flesh is meat indeed, and My blood is drink indeed. <sup>56</sup> He that eats My flesh, and drinks My blood, dwells in Me, and I in him. <sup>57</sup> As the living Father has sent Me, and I live by the Father: so he that eats Me, even he shall live by Me. <sup>58</sup> This is that Bread which came down from heaven: not as your fathers did eat manna, and are dead: he that eats of this Bread shall live forever. <sup>59</sup> These things said He in the synagogue, as He **taught** in Capernaum.

#### 60-71 Jesus' Words of Truth Turns Many Disciples Away from Following Him

(37) 60 Many therefore of His disciples, when they had heard [this], said, This is a hard saying; who can hear it? 61 When Jesus knew in Himself that **His disciples murmured** at it, He said unto them, Does this offend you? 62 [What] and if ye shall see the **Son of Man** ascend up where He was before? 63 It is the **Spirit that quickens; the flesh profits nothing:** the Words that I speak unto you, [they] are Spirit, and [they] are life. 64 But there are some of you that **believe not**. For Jesus knew from the beginning who they were that believed not, and who should betray Him. 65 And He said, Therefore said I unto you, that no man can come to Me, except it were given to him of My Father. 66 From that [time] many of His disciples went back, and walked no more with Him. 67 Then said Jesus unto the twelve, Will ye also go away? 68 Then Simon Peter answered Him, Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the Words of eternal life.

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<sup>69</sup> And we believe and are sure that You are that Christ, the Son of the Living God. <sup>70</sup> Jesus answered them, Have not I chosen you twelve, and one of you is a demon? <sup>71</sup> He spoke of **Judas Iscariot** [the son] of Simon: for he it was that should betray Him, being one of the twelve.

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Two Days in the Life of Jesus (John 7:1-10:21)

#### 1-9 Jesus' Brothers Tell Him to go to the Feast of Tabernacles and do Miracles

(38) <sup>1</sup> After these things Jesus walked in Galilee: for He would not walk in Jewry, because the Jews sought to kill Him. <sup>2</sup> Now the Jews' **feast of tabernacles** was at hand. <sup>3</sup> His brethren therefore said unto Him, Depart hence, and go into Judaea, that Your disciples also may see the works /miracles/ that You do. <sup>4</sup> For there is no man [that] does anything in secret, and he himself seeks to be known openly. If You do these things, show Yourself to the world. <sup>5</sup> For neither did His brethren believe in Him. <sup>6</sup> Then Jesus said unto them, My time is not yet come: but your time is always ready. <sup>7</sup> The world cannot hate you; but Me it hates, because I testify of it, that the works thereof are evil. <sup>8</sup> Go ye up to this feast: I go not up yet to this feast; for My time is not yet fully come. <sup>9</sup> When He had said these words unto them, He abode [still] in Galilee.

Notes: The brothers of Jesus are specified in Matthew 13:55 and Mark 6:3. Later James and Jude, two of Jesus' brothers wrote the epistles of James and Jude in the New Testament; Jude 1:1.

Q – Is there a known time for events in our lives?

A – Yes, as we follow Christ as the children of God, there is a divine timing for special events in our lives.

QT hint: Daily time in Scripture and prayer helps us give God the glory with the victories and sorrows associated with following the Lord Jesus Christ.

## 10-24 Jesus Goes Privately to the Feast of Tabernacles

(39) <sup>10</sup> But when His brethren were gone up, then went He also up to the feast, not openly, but as it were in secret. <sup>11</sup> Then the Jews sought Him at the feast, and said, Where is He? <sup>12</sup> And there was much murmuring among the people concerning Him: for some said, He is a good man: others said, No; but He deceives the people. <sup>13</sup> Howbeit no man spoke openly of Him for fear of the Jews. <sup>14</sup> Now about the midst of the feast Jesus went up into the temple, and taught. <sup>15</sup> And the Jews marveled, saying, How knows this man letters, having never learned? <sup>16</sup> Jesus answered them, and said, My doctrine is not Mine, but His that sent Me. <sup>17</sup> If any man will do His will, he shall know of the doctrine, whether it be of God, or [whether] I speak of Myself. <sup>18</sup> He that speaks of himself seeks his own glory: but He that seeks His glory that sent Him, the same is true, and no unrighteousness is in Him. <sup>19</sup> Did not Moses give you the law, and [yet] none of you keeps the law? Why go ye about to kill Me? <sup>20</sup> The people answered and said, You have a demon: who goes about to kill you? <sup>21</sup> Jesus answered and said unto them, I have done **one work**, and ye all marvel. <sup>22</sup> Moses therefore gave unto you circumcision; (not because it is of Moses, but of the fathers;) and ye on the sabbath day circumcise a man. <sup>23</sup> If a man on the sabbath day receive circumcision, that the law of Moses should not be broken; are ye angry at Me, because I have made a man **every whit whole on the sabbath day?** <sup>24</sup> Judge not according to the appearance, but judge righteous judgment.

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Q – Why are the Jews in error about healing on the Sabbath day?

A – Since the time Jesus healed the lame man on Saturday in John chapter 5, the Jews sought to kill Jesus. Religion without Godly character and righteousness is a leaking cistern. The spiritual blindness of religion causes man to maximize and get stuck on specific events and not continue on.

Application: I must keep my eyes on Christ alone. We worship in spirit and truth, and not going back to the bondage of religion regarding a specific day or place or hierarchy of religion. Galatians 2:16-21.

QT hint: Daily time in Scripture and prayer helps us give God the glory with the victories and sorrows associated with following the Lord Jesus Christ. Jesus Speaks Boldly at the Feast of Tabernacles

#### 25-39 Jesus Continues to Teach in the Temple at the Feast of Tabernacles

(40) <sup>25</sup> Then said some of them of Jerusalem, Is not this He, whom they seek to kill? <sup>26</sup> But, look, He speaks boldly, and they say nothing to Him. Do the rulers know indeed that this is the very Christ? <sup>27</sup> Howbeit we know this man whence He is: but when Christ comes, no man knows whence He is. <sup>28</sup> Then cried Jesus in the temple as He taught, saying, Ye both know Me, and ye know whence I am: and I am not come of Myself, but He that sent Me is true, whom ye know not. <sup>29</sup> But I know Him: for I am from Him, and He has sent Me. <sup>30</sup> Then they sought to take Him: but no man laid hands on Him, because His hour was not yet come. <sup>31</sup> And many of the people believed on Him, and said, When Christ comes, will He do more miracles than these which this [Man] has done? <sup>32</sup> The Pharisees heard that the people murmured such things concerning Him; and the Pharisees and the chief priests sent officers to take Him. <sup>33</sup> Then said Jesus unto them, Yet a little while am I with you, and [later] I go unto Him that sent Me. <sup>34</sup> Ye shall seek Me, and shall not find [Me]: and where I am, ye cannot come. <sup>35</sup> Then said the Jews among themselves, Where will He go, that we shall not find Him? will He go to the dispersed among the Gentiles, and teach the Gentiles? <sup>36</sup> What [manner of] saying is this that He said, Ye shall seek Me, and shall not find [Me]: and where I am, ye cannot come?

<sup>37</sup> In the last day, that great [day] of the feast, Jesus stood and cried, saying, If any man thirst, let him come unto Me, and drink. <sup>38</sup> He that believes on Me, as the Scripture has said, out of his belly shall flow rivers of living water. <sup>39</sup> (But this spoke He of the Spirit, which they that believe on Him should receive: for the Holy Spirit was not yet [given]; because that Jesus was not yet glorified.)

Q - Why did the Jews not understand where Jesus came and where Jesus is going?

A - Because their minds were blinded. The same as all unbelievers today. Leviticus 23:34-44 Great day is the 8th day

Application: I must be patient and show mercy on those who are blind to the truth of where Jesus came from and is going to. I must witness by lifestyle and words of truth boldly as Jesus did.

#### 40-53 Nobody Knows What The Scriptures say about Jesus Coming from Galilee

(41) <sup>40</sup> Many of the people therefore, when they heard this saying, said, Of a truth this is the **Prophet**. <sup>41</sup> Others said, This is the Christ. But some said, Shall Christ come out of Galilee? <sup>42</sup> Has not the Scripture said, That Christ comes of the seed of David, and out of the town of Bethlehem, where David was? <sup>43</sup> So there was a division among the people because of Him. <sup>44</sup> And some of them would have taken Him; but no man laid hands on Him.

Application: I know that there will be division because of who we think Jesus is, mostly from those who have never received the Holy Spirit but have a form of Godliness.

#### **Nicodemus Speaks to Defend Jesus** (2 years after John 3)

(42) <sup>45</sup> Then came the officers to the chief priests and Pharisees; and they said unto them, Why have ye not brought Him? <sup>46</sup> The officers answered, Never man spoke like this man. <sup>47</sup> Then answered them the Pharisees, Are ye also deceived? <sup>48</sup> Have any of the rulers or of the Pharisees believed on him? <sup>49</sup> But this people who knows not the law are cursed. <sup>50</sup> Nicodemus says unto them, (he that came to Jesus by night, being one of them,) <sup>51</sup> Does our law judge [any] man, before it hear him, and know what he does? <sup>52</sup> They answered and said unto him, Are you also of Galilee? Search, and look: for out of Galilee arises no prophet. <sup>53</sup> And every man went to his own house.

Q - Why do the religious Pharisees refer in error to Old Testament scripture? (7:52)

A – Because due to their higher education, position, and pride, the religious leaders do not know the Holy Scriptures in content or in context. The prophet Jonah is referred to in 2 Kings 14:25, and the prophet Jesus Christ is referred to in Isaiah 9:1.

Application: I must know the content of the Bible alone before I can understand the context and interpretation and character. Then I can apply the Bible to my personal life by faith in the living God.

# Discussion questions

- 1. Why does Jesus go up into a nearby hill? (6:3, 6:15)
- 2. All believers will be "raised" at the "last day" (6:39, 40, 44, 54). What does "raised" And "last day" mean to you?

## Raised:

# Last day:

3. All believers in Jesus as the Son of Man (6:27, 62) are given from God the Father to Jesus (6:37, 39, 44, 45, 65) and will not be cast out (6:37).

What does this mean to you?

4. What happens when I/we eat of the Bread of Life?

	<u>Jesus's I AM Titles (8)</u>	<u>John</u>	<u>Date</u>		
		(1-3)			
1.	I AM (the witness - foundation	4-5			
2.	I AM the <b>Bread</b> of <b>Life</b>	6-7			
3.	I AM the <b>Light</b> of the <b>World</b>	8-9			
4.	I AM the Door, and the Good Shepherd	I 10			
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5.	I AM the <b>Resurrection</b> and the <b>Life</b>	11-12			
6.	I AM the <b>Way</b> , the <b>Truth</b> , and the <b>Life</b>	13-14			
7.	I AM the <b>True Vine/</b> I AM the <b>Vine</b>	15-17	Nov 9		
		(18-21)			
8.	I AM the <b>Alpha</b> and <b>Omega</b>	Revelation 1, 21, 22	Nov 16		

John	Beginning: <b>Light</b> 1:4-5, 7-9, 3:19-21. <b>Life</b> 5x, Not life 1x.		<b>John</b> 8-12 Light, 13-17 Love, 18-21 Life		
1-3	John 1-21 <b>Believe</b> 92x (John 20:31) <b>1 John</b> 5:13		Revelation 1-18 Light, 19-20 Love, 21-22 Life		
			<b>1 John</b> 1:1-2:11 Light, 2:5-5:3 Love, 5:6-19 Life		
	I AM (John 21x) + (Rev 4x) = (25x)		Who	When (appx)	Where
John	I AM (the witness -	living water, Never thirst	Woman at the	6 to 9 months?	Judea, Samaria
4-5	foundation) (4:26)	4:10-11, 13-15 Light 5:35	Well /Lame man	Sabbath	Galilee, Jerusalem
John	I AM the <b>Bread</b> of <b>Life</b>	Thirst, Rivers of living	Fed Multitude	Passover Feast	Galilee,
6-7	(6:35, 6:41, 6:48, 6:51)	water (7:37-39)	Heal 1, Taught	Feast of Taber	Jerusalem
John	I AM the <b>Light</b> of the	I AM (8:28, 9:9)	Blind man	3 years	Mount of Olives
8-9	<b>World</b> (8:12, 9:5)		healed	Same day	
John	I AM the <b>Door</b> of the	I AM the <b>Good Shepherd</b> of	My <b>Sheep</b> hear		Beyond Jordon
10	Sheep (10:7, 10:9)	the <b>Sheep</b> (10:11, 14)	my <b>Voice</b>	Sabbath	10:40
John	I AM the <b>Resurrection</b> &	the <b>Light</b> of this <b>World</b>	A family of	3 yr, 5 mo	Bethany 11:1
11-12	the <b>Life</b> (11:25)	(11:9, 12:35, 12:49)	friends - funeral	, Jn 12:1	Ephraim, Bethany
John	I AM the <b>Way</b> , the <b>Truth</b> ,	I AM (13:19)	Judas left,	Thursday night	Jerusalem
13-14	and the <b>Life</b> (14:6)		13:31	before Jesus is	Passover Supper
John	I AM the <b>True Vine</b> (15:1)	Abide 8x Abide not 1x. Fruit 6x,		crucified	Mount of Olives
15-17	I AM the <b>Vine</b> (15:5)	No fruit 1x. World-Hate 15:18-25	11 disciples		
John	Ending	John 4-17	Disciples, Jews,	Betrayal, death	Gethsemane
18-21	I AM (18:5, 18:6, 18:8)	<b>Life</b> 30x Not life 1x	Romans, World	40 days, 33 AD	Golgotha
Revel	I AM the <b>Alpha &amp; Omega</b> ,	I AM the <b>Alpha &amp; Omega</b> ,	John, Jesus,	90 AD	Island of Patmos
ation	Beginning & the Ending	First & the Last (1:11)	Angels, 4 beasts		
	(1:8, 21:6)	+ Beginning & End (22:13)	24 elders	<b>1 John</b> 90 AD?	World