

BREAD OF LIFE

As preached on Sunday, November 30th

Read: John 6:22-59

1. When the crowd finally finds Jesus in Capernaum they ask, “Rabbi, when did you get here?” Why are they asking? Do we ever have mixed motives in seeking Jesus?
2. In v. 27 Jesus says, “*Do not work for food that spoils, but for food that endures to eternal life, which the Son of Man will give you.*” What is the difference between these two “foods”? How can we be sure we’re seeking after the right kind?
3. In v.30 the crowd asks Jesus, “*What sign then will you give that we may see it and believe you?*” Hasn’t Jesus given enough evidence already? Why are they asking for more?
4. Jesus speaks in v.33 of bread that “*comes down from heaven and gives life to the world.*” Does the crowd seem to understand in v.34? Why or why not?
5. As you re-read vv.36-47, how would you summarize what Jesus has to say about those who are saved? Why do some of those listening have trouble receiving this message?
6. In v.53 Jesus says, “*Very truly I tell you, unless you eat the flesh of the Son of Man and drink his blood, you have no life in you.*” What is your initial response to this? What do you think Jesus is getting at?
7. The Communion meal seems to be what Jesus is speaking about in vv.51-59. How important do you think this meal is to Christians? What is its purpose?
8. How do you think you would have responded had you been in the crowd that day?