

## **Food that satisfies forever - John 6:22-35**

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### **Introduction**

What we might sometimes think: “If I \_\_\_\_\_ God he'll \_\_\_\_\_ me.”

What does \_\_\_\_\_ think of this view?

Why people can't see the w\_\_\_\_\_ and g\_\_\_\_\_ of Jesus: Because often our focus is on the p\_\_\_\_\_ / the n\_\_\_\_ / what we can s\_\_\_\_ and t\_\_\_\_\_ .

Key verse: “Do not work for f\_\_\_\_\_ that spoils, but for f\_\_\_\_\_ that endures to e\_\_\_\_\_ life, which the S\_\_\_\_ of Man will give you.” (John 6:27a).

### **The wrong motives of many (verses 22-27)**

W\_\_\_\_ are the crowds desperate to get to Jesus? W\_\_\_\_ are we? Jesus sees right into their h\_\_\_\_\_ .

Why they're looking for him:

Negative – Not because you saw the s\_\_\_\_. See 20:30-31

Signs = sign\_\_\_\_\_s.

“They were excited about the bread as their p\_\_\_\_\_, not Christ as their t\_\_\_\_\_.” (John Piper)

Jesus's solution: verse 27.

Our culture: The n\_\_\_\_\_ and what you s\_\_\_\_\_ is all there is.

CS Lewis: “If I find in myself a d\_\_\_\_\_ which no experience in this world can s\_\_\_\_\_, the most probable explanation is that I was made for another w\_\_\_\_\_.”

A word on miracles

## **The work of God (verses 28-29)**

Their (wrong) thought - “What can I do for God?” Fits with the now / the physical - If now is all I'm concerned about, I'll do things n\_\_\_\_\_ in order to get b\_\_\_\_\_ from God.

Jesus – verse 29 – “The w\_\_\_\_\_ of God is to b\_\_\_\_\_.” Belief – important in John (20:31).

But even b\_\_\_\_\_ is not my work! Undermining the idea that I work for God now for blessings now.

## **The true bread from heaven (verses 30-35)**

Jesus talks about “bread” on a whole new level.

What we learn about the bread Jesus is talking about:

- > It's the t\_\_\_\_\_ bread from his F\_\_\_\_\_
- > It's the bread from h\_\_\_\_\_
- > It's the bread that gives l\_\_\_\_\_ to the w\_\_\_\_\_
- > Jesus is this b\_\_\_\_\_
- > He s\_\_\_\_\_ forever

How can Jesus satisfy us forever? We are made to see and be part of something g\_\_\_\_\_

How do we see Jesus's glory? How are we part of it?

- > Jesus is God the S\_\_\_\_ - revealing the joyful life of the

T\_\_\_\_\_ (Father, Son and Holy Spirit)

- > One key part of that life – joyful self-g\_\_\_\_\_
- > How he gives himself: In his death on the c\_\_\_\_\_ (6:51)
- > Bringing everlasting life – which is to know this self-g\_\_\_\_\_

God (John 17:3)

## **Conclusion**

How are we to respond? Believe / go on believing.

How do we believe? More than a\_\_\_\_\_ things to be true; more than t\_\_\_\_\_. It's d\_\_\_\_\_ in Jesus; coming to him as our t\_\_\_\_\_.

We have the privilege of being able to do this daily!