



John 6:35-54 (ESV)

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. ³⁶ But I said to you that you have seen me and yet do not believe. ³⁷ All that the Father gives me will come to me, and whoever comes to me I will never cast out. ³⁸ For I have come down from heaven, not to do my own will but the will of him who sent me. ³⁹ And this is the will of him who sent me, that I should lose nothing of all that he has given me, but raise it up on the last day. 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."

⁴¹ So the Jews grumbled about him, because he said, "I am the bread that came down from heaven."
⁴² They said, "Is not this Jesus, the son of Joseph, whose father and mother we know? How does he now say, 'I have come down from heaven'?" ⁴³ Jesus answered them, "Do not grumble among yourselves. ⁴⁴ No one can come to me unless the Father who sent me draws him. And I will raise him up on the last day. ⁴⁵ It is written in the Prophets, 'And they will all be taught by God.' Everyone who has heard and learned from the Father comes to me— ⁴⁶ not that anyone has seen the Father except he who is from God; he has seen the Father. ⁴⁷ Truly, truly, I say to you, whoever believes has eternal life. ⁴⁸ I am the bread of life. ⁴⁹ Your fathers ate the manna in the wilderness, and they died. ⁵⁰ This is the bread that comes down from heaven, so that one may eat of it and not die. ⁵¹ I am the living bread that came down from heaven. If anyone eats of this bread, he will live for ever. And the bread that I will give for the life of the world is my flesh."

⁵² The Jews then disputed among themselves, saying, "How can this man give us his flesh to eat?"
⁵³ So Jesus said to them, "Truly, truly, I say to you, unless you eat the flesh of the Son of Man and drink his blood, you have no life in you. ⁵⁴ Whoever feeds on my flesh and drinks my blood has eternal life, and I will raise him up on the last day."

Dinner Time! (John 6:48-54)

INTRODUCTION: *Breakfast, lunch, & dinner OR breakfast, dinner & supper???*

I. JESUS: THE BREAD OF LIFE (Jn. 6:48-51)

- A. This is an Old Testament image: *Manna*, the bread from heaven (Exodus 16)
- B. This *bread of life* is given to satisfy our deepest needs
- C. There is a difference between *a child's wants & a child's needs*
- D. The bread of life was broken for us on the cross (Jn. 6:51)

II. WE MUST EAT THE BREAD OF LIFE (Jn. 6:53)

- A. Eating is necessary for physical and spiritual life
- B. Eating is a response to a felt need
- C. Eating is personal - no one can eat for you (Jn. 6:53)

III. EATING THE BREAD OF LIFE (JESUS)

- A. Is not a reference here to Holy Communion
- B. Is a reference to a trusting faith (Jn. 6: 29, 35, 40, 47, 54)

CONCLUSION: *A Scotsman's missed feast*