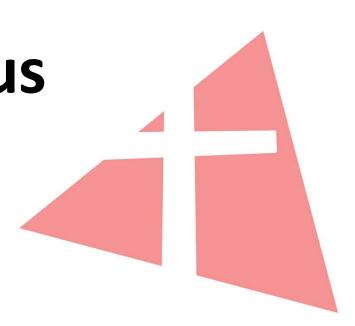
Manna, Bread and Jesus

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Our Series: The Gospel of John

Last two weeks: Biblical Fasting

Taking away something from this world in order to make more room for God in our lives

Today's Passage

John 6:22-35 The day following, when the people who stood on the other side of the sea saw that there was no other boat there, except that one into which his disciples were entered, and that Jesus went not with his disciples into the boat, but that his disciples were gone away alone; (However there came other boats from Tiberias near unto the place where they did eat bread, after the Lord had given thanks:) When the people therefore saw that Jesus was not there, neither his disciples, they also took boats, and came to Capernaum, seeking Jesus. And when they had found him on the other side of the sea, they said unto him, Rabbi, when did you come here? Jesus answered them and said, Verily, verily, I say unto you, You seek me, not because you saw the miracles, but because you did eat of the loaves, and were filled.

Today's Passage

Labor not for the food which perishes, but for that food which endures unto everlasting life, which the Son of man shall give unto you: for on him has God the Father set his seal. Then said they unto him, What shall we do, that we might work the works of God? Jesus answered and said unto them, This is the work of God, that you believe on him whom he has sent. They said therefore unto him, What sign do you show then, that we may see, and believe you? what do you work? Our fathers did eat manna in the desert; as it is written, He gave them bread from heaven to eat. 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. For the bread of God is he who comes down from heaven, and gives life unto the world. Then said they unto him, Lord, evermore give us this bread. 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.

The People's Greeting

John 6:25 And when they had found him on the other side of the sea, they said unto him, Rabbi, when did you come here?

Jesus' Reply

John 6:26-27 Jesus answered them and said, Verily, verily, I say unto you, You seek me, not because you saw the miracles, but because you did eat of the loaves, and were filled. Labor not for the food which perishes, but for that food which endures unto everlasting life, which the Son of man shall give unto you: for on him has God the Father set his seal.

The Works of God

John 6:28 Then said they unto him, What shall we do, that we might work the works of God?

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John 6:29 Jesus answered and said unto them, This is the work of God, that you believe on him whom he has sent.

Is Jesus the Messiah?

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True Food

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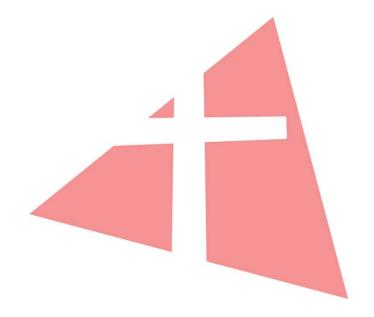
The Hunger of the People

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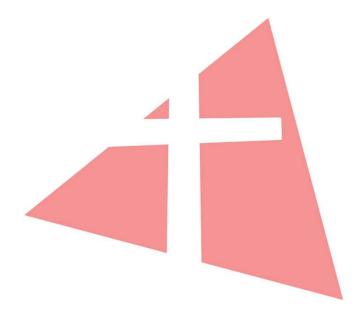
Jesus reveals Himself

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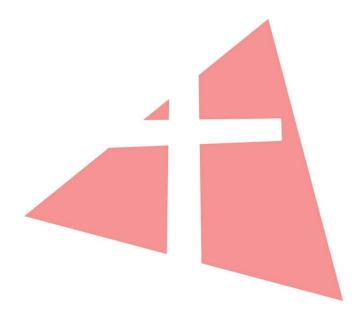
• We cannot limit Jesus to be the provider of earthly stuff



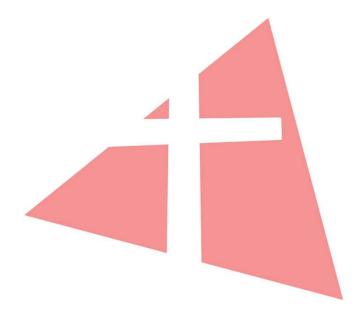
• What miracles have we rationalized?



• Fasting reminds us to pursue what truly satisfies



Jesus is the only one who can truly satisfy us



In Conclusion

• Let's allow Jesus to be our personal "Bread of Life"

