

# Jesus is The Bread Of Life

John 6:1-14

Jesus was preaching to a hungry crowd and He knew that they needed food; so He does what only God Himself could do. He takes 5 small loaves of bread and 2 small fish and then feeds a crowd of probably 15,000 people. After everybody ate, the disciples took up 12 baskets of leftovers. One basket for every doubting disciple!

In this text, Jesus is seen as “The Bread Of Life.” Bread is a universal food. Just like we go to the store in America / or the savage cooks bread on a stone by a fire. People need bread – some like meats, greens and some don’t. Anyway you slice it, bread is good and / a food that most people need, use and enjoy. So... what better way to portray Jesus – as “The Living Bread of Life!”

He is truly what the whole world needs. He satisfies anyone who will come to Him and there isn't a person who won't enjoy Him when they meet Him. Jesus: The Bread Of Life.

## I. The Person of Heaven’s Bread – Jesus

### A. He Is A Person – V. 35a “...I am the Bread of Life...”

1. The Bread of Heaven is not a religious system or a denomination, but He is a Person. Salvation comes only through Jesus! **Acts 4:12** “Neither is there salvation in any other: for there is none other name under heaven given among men, whereby we must be saved.”

### B. He Has Power – V. 35b “...he that cometh to Me shall never hunger...”

1. Jesus has the power to give salvation, security, satisfaction and a sweet life to everyone! And, He always rises like bread – to satisfy every time!

### C. He Has Promise – V. 51 “...if any man eat of this bread, he shall live forever...”

1. Bread can keep us alive for a long time but after a while, the body will still die.
2. Jesus, on the other hand, is The Bread that gives everlasting life. Every person who trusts in Jesus for salvation is going to live forever in Heaven!

## II. The Examples of Heaven’s Bread

### A. V. 1-13 = We have “The Miracle” – Jesus shows us that He is like that 5 loaves of bread. He shows that...

1. **V. 10** – He is Sufficient for every need – “...Make the men sit down...” He cared for and provided for the need of over 5000 and it wasn’t a struggle, a suppose so, nor a stretch for HIM!
2. **V. 11** – He is Satisfying for any need – “...as much as they would.”
3. **V. 13** – He is the Surplus that continues to provide! – “...and filled 12 baskets... which remained over and above unto them that had eaten.”

### B. V. 30-33 = We have “The Manna” – see “the nerve” of the Jews? He had just performed this miracle...and they turned right around and threw it back at Jesus about the O. T. miracle of the Manna. Jesus told them that the Manna came from His Father – and that He is the True-Bread! But... think about 7 ways that the Manna is like Jesus.

1. It Came At Night - **Exodus 16:14** “And when the dew that lay was gone up, behold, upon the face of the wilderness there lay a small round thing...” This speaks of Jesus’ entrance when He came to a world that was lost in spiritual darkness and He gave them light and life.
2. It Was Small – **Exodus 16:14** “...there lay a small round thing, as small as the hoar frost on the ground.” = this speaks of Christ's humility. He wasn't born in a king's palace, but in a manger. He never flashed riches, but lived a “workin’ man’s life.”
3. It Was Round - **Exodus 16:14** = This speaks of Christ's eternal nature. He didn’t have His beginning in Bethlehem – He has always been – **John 1:1**.

4. It Was Misunderstood By Those Who Found It - **Exodus 16:15** “*And when the children of Israel saw it, they said one to another, It is manna: for they wist not what it was...*” - They called it Manna which means, "What is it?" The very people He came to save misunderstood Jesus! He is not just some teacher, some prophet, nor some poor unfortunate man who got Himself killed. He is the Son of God! He is the King of Kings and Lord of Lords!
5. It Was Sufficient For Every Man's Need - **Exodus 16:18** “*...he that gathered little had no lack; they gathered every man according to his eating...*” - This says that Jesus is the all-sufficient Savior. He meets the need of person’s soul. Bible Historians have estimated = God gave them approximately 240 boxcars of Manna per day for 38 years!
6. It Was White - **Exodus 16:31** “*And the house of Israel called the name thereof Manna: and it was like coriander seed, white...*” - This reminds us of the sinless, holy nature of the Lord Jesus Christ.
7. It Was Sweet To The Taste - **Exodus 16:31** “*...and the taste of it was like wafers made with honey.*” Jesus is Sweet to the soul and Satisfying in our life. David said, Psalm 34:8 “O taste and see that the LORD is good: blessed is the man that trusteth in him.”

### **III. The Promise of Heaven’s Bread**

- A. **V. 50-51 – He Gives Salvation - John 11:25-26** “Jesus said unto her, I am the resurrection, and the life: he that believeth in me, though he were dead, yet shall he live: And whosoever liveth and believeth in me shall never die...”
- B. **V. 37-40 – He Guarantees Our Security -**
  1. Salvation is a “never fear” work of Jesus.
  2. Salvation is a “never forgotten” work of Jesus.
  3. Salvation is a “forever” work of Jesus.