John Lesson 20

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INTRODUCTION

- You take any verse of the Bible, if you do not know its context, you probably will not come up with the right understanding of that passage.
- But the language of the Bible is written so that we can understand it.
- We need to study it verse by verse and make certain that we have the understanding within the context of the setting in which it is delivered unto us.

1 The Signs Prove Jesus Is of God

John 6:14

- Nobody could do the signs that Jesus did except God be with him.
- And that was another sign or miracle which proved that Jesus had to be of God, for no man can walk on water.

2 Labor Not for the Food That Perishes

John 6:26–27; John 6:29

- But he said, You search not for the right reason. They were searching for the loaves.
- That is, don't labor just for the material things here and now. Get your eyes enlightened to those things that are of greater value. He said, labor for that which endureth unto life everlasting.
- Belief or saving belief will obey what God said. That's a work, all right, but it does not nullify grace.

3 I Am the Bread of Life

John 6:35; John 6:44–45; John 6:48–51

- Moses, not really Moses gave you that bread from heaven, but the Father gave you bread from heaven.
- I am the bread of life, he that cometh to me shall never hunger. And he that believeth on me shall never thirst.
- Jesus is not talking about literally eating him. Though he is food, it's a metaphor or a figure of speech to describe how that he is that fulfilling food, but in a spiritual way.
- He died in the flesh, that we might live. But the kind of bread that he really gave in the death of his body for our sins, Jesus Christ provided eternal life for us.

4 Eat My Flesh and Drink My Blood

John 6:53–57; Galatians 3:27; Galatians 2:20

- Except ye eat the flesh of the Son of Man and drink his blood, ye have no life in you.
- But rather those are but emblems, they symbolize, they're figures for us to remind us of his body, and to remind us of his blood.

- So if you want to really eat of his flesh and drink of his blood, then you come to hear the word of God. Believe on him. Follow his word.
- Neither are we to take the language here in John 6 and have to establish it and say, oh, that literally means to eat his flesh and literally drink his blood.
- As many of you as have been baptized into Christ have put on Christ.
- You want to eat his flesh and drink his blood, then be his disciple, faithfully keeping his word.

5 Many Disciples Went Back and Walked No More

John 6:60–66; 2 Corinthians 11:14–15; 2 Timothy 4:2–4

- It is the spirit that quickeneth. The flesh profiteth nothing. The words that I speak unto you, they are spirit, and they are life.
- From that time many of his disciples went back and walked no more with him.
- Christ did not please everybody.
- They sought him for the wrong reason. They were seeking for the material things.
- Lip service means nothing if you're not willing to do his will.

6 Lord, to Whom Shall We Go?

John 6:67–71

- Then said Jesus unto the twelve, Will ye also go away? Then Simon Peter answered him, Lord, to whom shall we go? Thou hast the words of eternal life.
- Christ has the words of eternal life. If you turn away from Jesus Christ, to what can you turn?
- All this world can offer you is but a few moments' pleasure, and then it'll be over with.

> THE CHALLENGE
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> **If you turn from Jesus, what are you going to turn to? What else is left for you?**

MY NOTES