Food for the Hungry

John 6

Introduction: The Apostle John has declared and described the identity (God) and authority (the judge) of Jesus the one who gives living water for eternal life. John now describes Jesus as the bread of life that gives eternal life because of His identity and authority. This declaration is revealed through the medium of a miracle followed by a message. (Sign / Sermon)

I. The Sign 6:1-15 (The Miracle)

- A. The Place:1-4
- B. The Problem:5-9

The Apparent Difficulty- The Issue of Provision Not enough money Not enough Food

The Actual Difficulty- The Issue of Vision Who will meet your need? What is your real need?

- C. The Provision:10-13
- D. The Perception:14-15

Who is Jesus? Prophet, King or Messiah - Issue of Identity and Authority Deut 18:15

II. The Situation 6:16-25 (Hinge section)

A. The Vision of the Disciples :16-21

They are Fearful :18- they did not learn the lesson of the loaves *Mk* 6:52

B. The Vision of the People :22-25
They are Foolish- did not understand the Savior of the sign John 6:26

III. The Sermon 6:26-59 (The Message)

Key Concepts -

"Will and Work" of the Father

Identity and Authority of Jesus "Bread.."

Conditions and Consequences for mankind- World- Believe – Eternal Life (Notice the connection of- Moses, prophet, signs to John 4-5)

- A. The Plan of the Father :26-40 —To do the Will and Work :29,38,40 Eternal Life—Eternal Security
 - 1. Issue of Motives:26-27
 - 2. Issue of Goals:28-29
 - 3. Issue of Calculation: 30-34

- 4. Issue of Clarification :35-40
 <u>Identity</u>- I Am the Bread of Life. (:35 and water- never thirst 4:10,14)
 <u>Authority</u>- Eternal Life and Eternal Security (4:14 eternal water)
- B. The Person of the Son :41-52- His Identity and Authority Is Drawing the same thing as regeneration or something before regeneration?

(:27 Father set His seal on the Son)

NB:51 Eternal Security Live forever

Unlimited Atonement 6:33, :51 "for the world". (I John 2:2, 2 Peter 2:1)

C. The Privilege of People :53-59 "Believe for eternal life" Condition- Believe (1:12, 3:15-16, 5:24). :53 Believe (Faith) then Life- (Regeneration)

Consequence- Eternal life & Eternal Security :37-40, 44, 54, 58

Because HE is who HE is (God) HE can do what HE does (Eternal Life) Identity Authority

The Correct Message to a lost and dying world is:

- 1. Who Jesus is- He is Holy God Jo.1:2-18, 10:25-30, Titus 2:13, Hb 1:3, Col. 1:15
- 2. What He has done- Died for your sin paid for your sins and rose from the dead so you can live forever Jo 3:15-16. Eph 2:8-9, Rom 3:21
- 3. What we must do- Believe in His name- receive the gift of eternal life Jo 1:12, 3:16 5:24, 8:24,

The Counterfeit Message of lost and dving world is:

- 1. Jesus is not really God- (Gospel of Judas- Jesus was just a man married and had kids- we found the bones...no resurrection. Jesus not really human I John 1)
- 2. There are other ways to God

Universalism- all roads lead to heaven

Postmortem evangelism- One day every knee will bow!

Soteriological Inclusivism- Don't know it is JC now but will in heaven then.

Other religious roads lead to heaven (CS Lewis? Clark Pinnock?)

3. We must believe and ...and...and...to be saved. Whether ancient or modern-Judaism, RCC, Islam or Cults- it is heresy from hell.

"And there is salvation in no one else; for there is no other name under heaven that has been given among men, by which we must be saved." Acts 4:12

I am the way the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father but through me. Jo 14:6