John # 106 "They Will All Be Taught By God" John 6:41-47; 2<sup>nd</sup> Peter 1:12-21; Exodus 16

We began John 6 with the public sign miracle of feeding the multitude and the popular response was we'd like welfare for all, King Jesus.

The Lord's response to that was to align Himself with Yahweh in the Old Testament's gift of manna by indicating He is the True Bread from Heaven.

To that, the people said 'Give us the human solution' a physical political answer.

Activism is not the answer to man's problems.

Our job is to communicate the Gospel and then grow in the grace and knowledge of Jesus. Our Lord's audience from most to least is:

- 1. Strong opposers (unbelievers)
- 2. Curious disciples (unbelievers)
- 3. Convinced disciples (believers)
- 4. Committed disciples (believers)

And so, the Lord Jesus has claimed that man must have soul food and He is that food, the Bread of Life whom the Father sent and if that wasn't enough to make the religious leader's skin crawl, He also proclaimed that He and the Father are One!

Our Lord turned water into wine; five loaves and two fish into a feast for 15,000-20,000 people.

He called 6 witnesses to testify for Him;

1. The Holy Spirit; 2. John the Baptist; 3. His works; 4. His Father; 5. The Scriptures; 6. Moses.

He was saying "I am the focal point of history, you need look no further."

The Lord Jesus' resounding message was: your souls are starving and the Father sent you spiritual food from Heaven and that food is Me!

But if people don't appropriate His work by faith, it is of absolutely no value to them.

The Lord Jesus didn't come to earth just to talk about His flesh, He came to give it as a sacrifice for all!

Without a perfect sinless substitute, there is no hope to have any relationship with a perfect God.

With Jesus Christ on our side, it's:

- 1. Abundant life here and now; 2. Eternal life in Heaven; 3. A resurrection body like His and
- 4. Everlasting unhindered communion with Him.

<u>Pertinent biblical truth aka the Gospel, Jesus Christ's story is His weapon of choice in witnessing; using no salesmanship tactics, no weeping, wailing and begging for their response, no gimmicks and no jumping through psychological self-centered, self-righteous</u>

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The apostle Paul knew this principle and he recorded it in Romans 1:16 where he said it was the Gospel, found in the Bible which is the power of God that leads to salvation. It is the Gospel message proclaimed with accurate content in the power of the Holy Spirit that saves; it's not the result of an emotionally-charged delivery.

The Lord Jesus makes sure that His newly acquired so-called disciples understand that the solution they're seeking is not a political solution, not a temporal, physical, man-engineered solution; it's a God-engineered spiritual solution which begins with regeneration and continues through consistent spiritual-growth.

Until people are saved and advancing to spiritual adulthood by learning the Word of God to develop capacity for experiencing true freedom and enjoying life God's way with His happiness, they're just performing a surface cleaning of the devil's world.

They didn't really want the True Bread; they're still thinking physically, like the Samaritan woman at the well when Jesus promised to give her water that springs up to eternal life and she says, 'Where do I get this water so I won't have to keep coming back to this well?' Note that Jesus says 'Whoever comes to Me' which is a synonymous parallelism for believing or expressing faith; so, remember when Jesus says come to Me, He is saying believe in Me and believe My Words.

The one who comes to Jesus Christ by grace alone through faith alone in Him alone is the one who accepts God's free grace gift of salvation and so, he will not hunger or thirst for truth or meaning in life; not ever.

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